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Basic **Operations** 

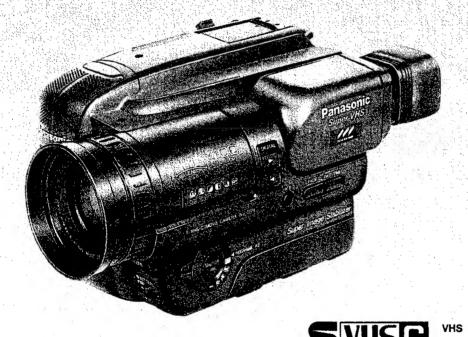
S-VHS-C Movie Camera

NV-S99A

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Before attempting to connect, operate or adjust this product, please read these instructions completely.

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Dear Customer, We would like to take this opportunity to thank you for purchasing this Panasonic Movie Camera.

> Please read these Operating Instructions carefully and keep them handy for future reference.

Please keep your receipt as proof of purchase for all warranty repairs.

# Information for Your Safety

#### **IMPORTANT**

Your attention is drawn to the fact that recording of pre-recorded tapes or discs or other published or broadcast material may infringe copyright laws.

### WARNING

TO REDUCE THE RISK OF FIRE OR SHOCK HAZARD, DO NOT EXPOSE THIS EQUIPMENT TO RAIN OR MOISTURE.

#### S-VHS-C Movie

•The rating plate is on the bottom side of the Movie Camera.

### **AC Adaptor**

•The rating plate is on the bottom side of the AC Adaptor.

# FOR YOUR SAFETY

### ■ DO NOT REMOVE THE OUTER COVER.

To prevent electric shock, do not remove the cover. There are no user serviceable parts inside. Refer servicing to qualified service personnel.

IF THE SUPPLY CORD OF THIS **EQUIPMENT IS DAMAGED, IT MUST** BE REPLACED BY THE SPECIAL CORD.

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### CAUTION:

TO REDUCE THE RISK OF FIRE OR SHOCK HAZARD AND ANNOYING INTERFERENCE, USE THE **RECOMMENDED ACCESSORIES** ONLY.

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# Check List for the Standard Accessories

# ......AC Adaptor ......Mains Cable

..DC Input Cable



..... Battery Pack

 When purchasing an additional AC Adaptor, order model number VW-AS4E.

**AC Adaptor Set** 

 For Purchasing additional Battery Packs, see the list of optional accessories on p. 56.



..Cassette Adaptor



...Battery



.. Audic/Video Cable



.....S-Video Cable



..... Remote Controller

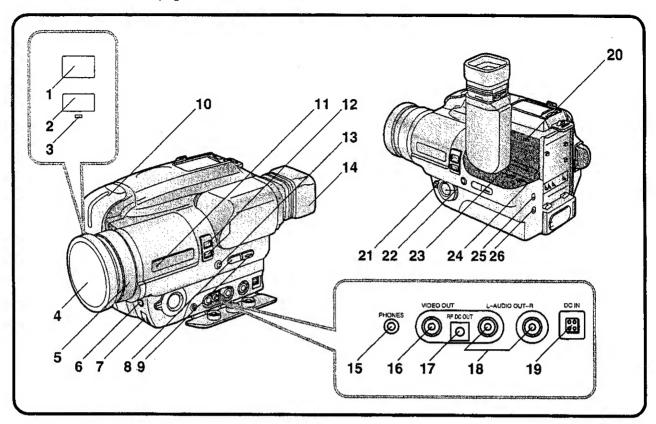
.....Button-Type Battery

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# Controls and Functions

For more details, see the pages indicated in brackets.



- 1 White Balance Sensor (p. 32)
- 2 Remote Control Receiver Window (p. 7)
- 3 Recording Indicating Lamp This Lamp lights during recording.
- 4 Lens Cap (p. 12, 32, 58)
- 5 Focus Ring (p. 29)
- 6 [FOCUS] Button (p. 28)
- 7 [SHUTTER/IRIS] Control (p. 41)
- 8 [FADE] Button (p. 40)
- 9 [DATE/TIME] Button (p. 14)
- 10 Microphone
- 11 Digital Mode Indication Window (p. 43, 44)
- 12 Digital Buttons (p. 43, 44) Press these buttons to select the desired digital function.
- 13 [W.B] Button (p. 33) Manual White Balance Button
- 14 Eyecup (p. 59)
- 15 [PHONES] Socket (p. 24)
- 16 [VIDEO OUT] Socket (p. 8, 52)
- 17 [RF DC OUT] Socket To playback via a TV Set without AV Input Socket, connect this Socket to the RF IN Socket of the TV Set using an RF Adaptor (optional).

- 18 [AUDIO OUT L/R] Sockets (p. 8, 52)
- 19 [DC IN] Socket (p. 8, 51)
- 20 Dew Sensor Slot

Through this slot, the Movie Camera detects condensation. Take care not to let this slot gets clogged with dirt and not to cover it with your fingers, etc.

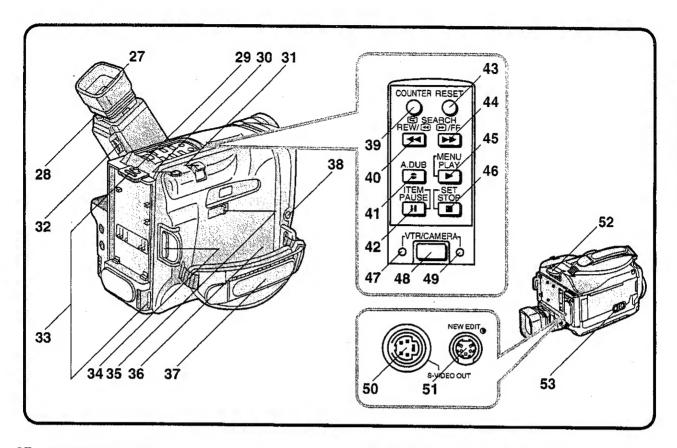
- 21 [AE] Selector (p. 17, 28, 32, 39, 40) Use this selector to select the desired AE mode.
- 22 [SHUTTER/IRIS] Button (p. 41)
- 23 [DATE/TIME/SHIFT TRACKING] Button (p. 14, 47)

Press this button to adjust the tracking in order to eliminate distortions in the playback picture (p. 47), or press it to advance to the next item during the setting of the date and time (p. 14).

24 [DATE/TIME/SET • TRACKING] Button

Press this button to adjust the tracking in order to eliminate distortions in the playback picture (p. 47), or press it to set the correct date and time (p. 14).

- 25 [POWER SAVE] Switch (p. 48) Setting this switch to "ON" activates the Power Save Function.
- 26 [AUDIO SELECT] Switch (p. 55)



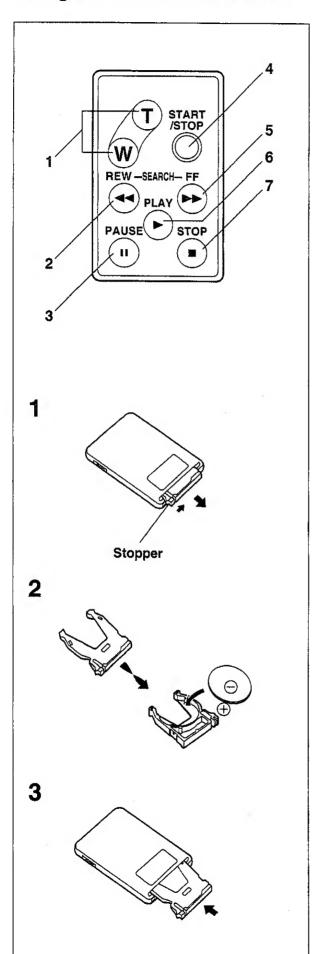
- 27 Viewfinder (p. 20)
- 28 Eyepiece Correction Adjuster (p. 13)
- 29 [BATTERY EJECT] Lever (p. 11)
- 30 [SNAPSHOT REC] Button (p. 37)
- 31 [W•T] Zoom Lever (p. 17)
- 32 Viewfinder Brightness Control [- ◀ BRIGHT ▶ +] (p. 13)
- 33 Shoulder Strap Holders (p. 58)
- 34 Recording Start/Stop Button (Red) (p. 17)
- 35 [EJECT ▲] Lever (p. 12)
- 36 Cassette Compartment Cover (p. 13)
- 37 Grip Belt (p. 58)
- 38 [MIC] Socket

To record sound with an external microphone, connect it to the [MIC] Socket. (Connecting an external microphone automatically disconnects the built-in microphone.) Ensure that the microphone conforms with the following requirements:

- ●Connection Cable; M3-type plug
- Impedance; less than 4.7 kohm
- ●Type; Stereo-type (If a mono-type microphone is connected, no sound will be recorded on the right channel.)
- Sensitivity; Approx. −70 dB
- not require a power source
- Microphone Power Source; A type that does

- 40 [REW/ ] Button (p. 24, 46) Use this Button for:
  - Recording Review
  - Review
  - REW (Rewind)
  - Camera Search
- 41 [A.DUB] Button (p. 55)
- 42 [ITEM/PAUSE] Button (p. 25, 37)
- 43 [RESET] Button (p. 18)
- 44 [ FF] Button (p. 24, 47) Use this Button for:
  - Cue
  - FF (Fast-Forwarding)
  - Camera Search
- 45 [MENU/PLAY] Button (p. 25, 37)
- 46 [SET/STOP] Button (p. 25, 37)
- 47 "VTR" Indication Lamp (p. 24)
- 48 [VTR/CAMERA] Button (p. 24) Press this Button to select the "VTR" Mode for playback or the "CAMERA" Mode for recording.
- 49 "CAMERA" Indication Lamp (p. 16)
- 50 [S-VIDEO OUT] Socket (p. 9, 52)
- 51 [NEW EDIT] Socket (p. 53)
- 52 [POWER] ON/OFF Switch (p. 12)
- 53 Tripod Receptacle Attach a Tripod (optional) to this Receptacle.

# Using the Remote Controller

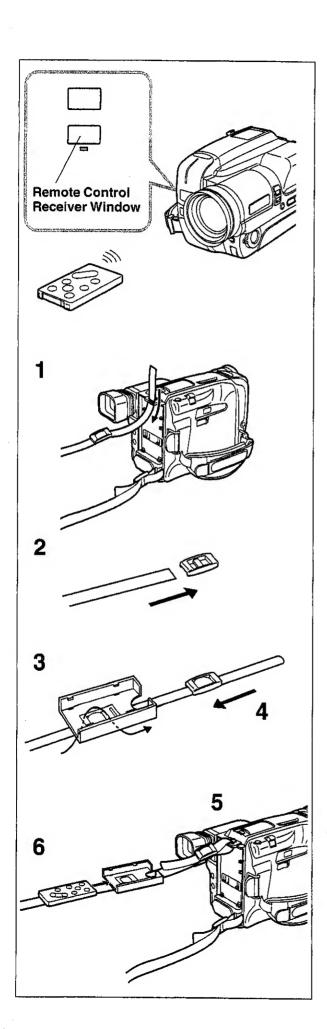


- Controls and Functions
- 1 [W T] Zoom Buttons (p. 17)
- 2 [REW] Button (p. 25, 47)
  - Use this Button for: Recording Review
  - Review
  - ●REW (Rewind)
  - Camera Search
- 3 [PAUSE] Button (p. 25)
- 4 Recording Start/Stop Button (p. 17)
- 5 [FF] Button (p. 25, 47) Use this Button for:
  - Cue
  - FF (Fast-Forwarding)
  - Camera Search
- 6 [PLAY] Button (p. 25)
- 7 [STOP] Button (p. 25)
- How to Insert the Button-Type Battery
- Pull out the Battery Holder while pushing the stopper.
- Turn the Battery Holder upside down and insert the Battery with the (+) mark facing downward until it locks with a click.
- Insert the Battery Holder into the Remote Controller.
- Replacing the Button-Type Battery The life of the battery is about one year. Replace the exhausted battery with a new CR2025 Battery.

Information for your safety

WARNING "THE LITHIUM BATTERY" IS A CRITICAL COMPONENT (TYPE NUMBER CR2025 MANUFACTURED BY PANASONIC). IT MUST NEVER BE SUBJECTED TO EXCESSIVE HEAT OR DISCHARGE, IT MUST THEREFORE ONLY BE FITTED IN **EQUIPMENT DESIGNED SPECIFICALLY** FOR ITS USE. REPLACEMENT BATTERIES MUST BE OF THE SAME TYPE AND MANUFACTURER. THEY MUST BE FITTED IN THE SAME MANNER AND LOCATION AS THE ORIGINAL BATTERY, WITH THE CORRECT POLARITY CONNECTIONS OBSERVED. DO NOT ATTEMPT TO RE-CHARGE THE OLD BATTERY OR RE-USE IT FOR ANY

OTHER PURPOSE IT SHOULD BE **DISPOSED OF IN WASTE PRODUCTS** DESTINED FOR BURIAL RATHER THAN INCINERATION".

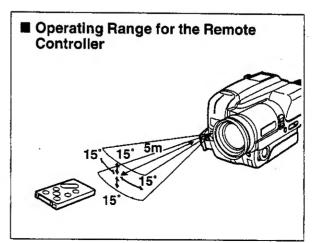


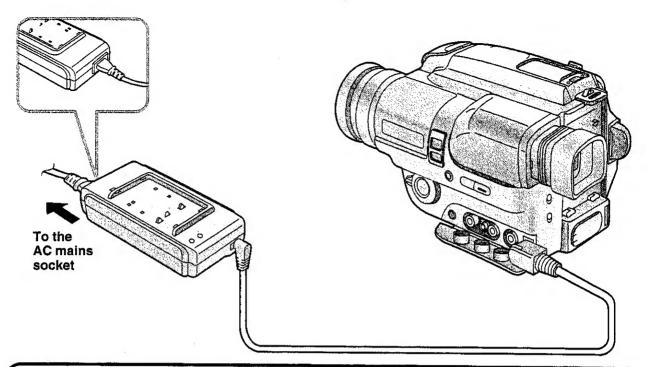
When you want to take part in the action that you are recording, simply place the Movie Camera on a tripod and then start and pause recording as well as operate the zoom and other functions by pressing a button on the Remote Controller (supplied). Aim it at the Remote Control Receiver Window on the front of the Movie Camera and press the corresponding Button.

#### Notes:

- •Do not cover the Transmitter Window on the Remote Controller with your hand, etc.
- The Remote Controller may not operate correctly if it is used in direct sunlight, near fluorescent lamps or too close to the Movie Camera.
- When using the Remote Controller outdoors, operating range may become shorter than 5 metres.
- Using the Remote Controller Holder (To keep the Remote Controller handy when you go out recording)
- 1 Remove one end of the Shoulder Strap from the Movie Camera.
- 2 Remove the Shoulder Strap Adjuster.
- 3 Pull the Shoulder Strap in the direction of the arrow through the two slits on the back of the Remote Controller Holder.
- 4 Re-Insert the Shoulder Strap Adjuster.
- Re-attach the Shoulder Strap to the Movie Camera.

  (See "Attaching the Shoulder Strap" on page 58.)
- 6 Insert the Remote Controller securely into the Holder.



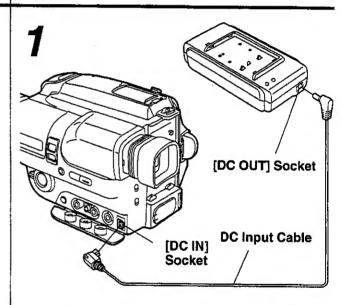


# Title

# Using the AC Adaptor as a Power Supply Unit

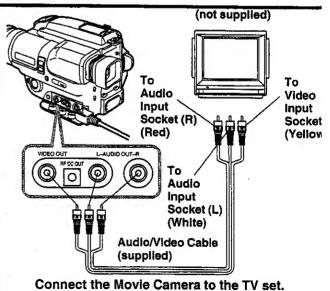
If you want to use the Movie Camera with the Battery Pack, it is necessary to charge the Battery Pack first. (p. 10)

# Procedure



# Watching the Picture on a TV Set (Using the Audio/Video Cable or S-Video Cable)

Connect after turning off the Movie Camera and the TV Set.



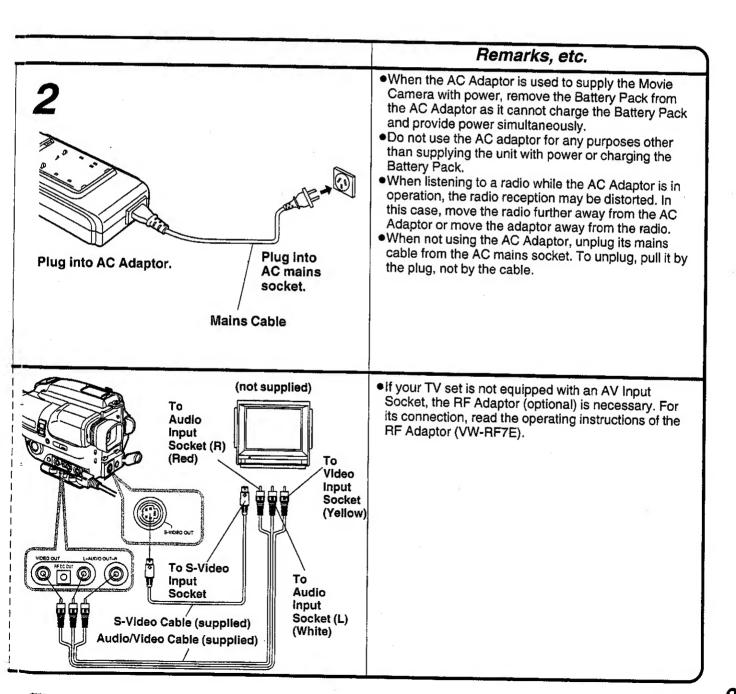
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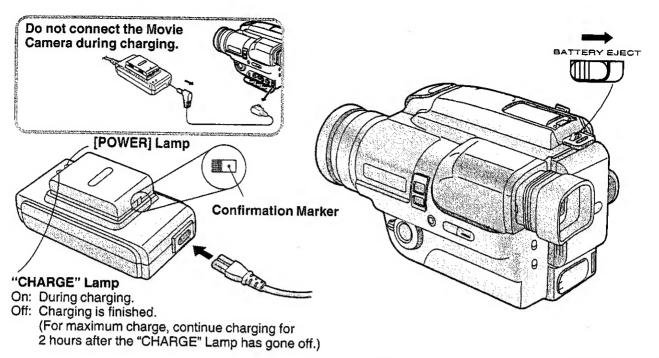
# **■** Cautions for Use

- This AC Adaptor works on any mains supply voltage between 100 and 240 V, and any frequency between 50 and 60 Hz. For use in other countries, an adaptor plug may be necessary.
- Do not handle the AC Adaptor with wet hands.

# ■ Caution for Cleaning

Before cleaning the AC Adaptor, make sure that it is disconnected from the AC mains socket.





Title	Proced	ure
<ul> <li>Charging the Battery Pack</li> <li>Be sure to insert the mains plug completely into the correct socket.</li> <li>Do not connect the DC Input Cable to the AC Adaptor otherwise the Battery Pack cannot be charged.</li> <li>Ni-MH (Nickel-Metal-Hydride) Battery Packs (VW-VBH10E and VW-VBH20E) may not perform very well in cold conditions (e.g. the snow).</li> <li>Never remove the Battery Pack during recording or playback, because the tape would remain in contact with the video heads and this could cause damage to the heads and tape.</li> </ul>		Attach the Battery Pac
Attaching the Charged Battery Pack  If an exhausted Battery Pack is attached, the " " Indication in the Viewfinder flashes, when you turn the Movie Camera on.  Charging Confirmation Marker Use this marker to distinguish between charged and discharged Battery Packs. For example, slide the Button so that the dot is visible after charging is completed.		Attach the Battery Pac with its Charge Confirmation Marker facing upward.

# Cautions for Use

- if you want to improve the charge of a Battery Pack whose operation time has become too short for practical use or which has been stored for a long time, continue charging for 24 hours even after the "CHARGE" Lamp on the AC Adaptor goes out. (If this does not result in an operation time close to that shown in the table, the service life of this Battery Pack has reached its end. Replace it with a new one.)
- To prevent leakage, excessive rise in temperature and explosion, be sure to observe the following points:
- 1) Use only the specified AC Adaptor or Car Battery Charger to charge the Battery Pack.
- 2) Make sure that no metal objects touch the connectors of the Battery Pack.
  - Do not charge the Battery Pack again when it is already fully charged.

- During recording or charging, the Pack may become warm. This is a malfunction.
- Do not leave the Battery Pack in the Movie Camera while it is in storage.
- 3) Do not heat the Battery Pack or throw it into a
- 4) Do not apply solder to the Battery Pack and do not disassemble or reconstruct it.



		Remarks, e	tc.
2	Battery Pack No.	Charging Time	M
	Supplied	Approx. 60 min.	Ar
	VW-VBS10E	Approx. 65 min.	Ap
	VW-VBS20E	Approx. 130 min.	Ap
	VW-VBH10E	Approx. 80 min.	Ap
	VW-VBH20E	Approx. 160 min.	Ap
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prevent it from dropping.

Battery Pack No.	Charging Time	Max. Continuous Recording Time
Supplied	Approx. 60 min.	Approx. 35 min.
VW-VBS10E	Approx. 65 min.	Approx. 35 min.
VW-VBS20E	Approx. 130 min.	Approx. 70 min.
VW-VBH10E	Approx. 80 min.	Approx. 45 min.
VW-VBH20E	Approx. 160 min.	Approx. 90 min.

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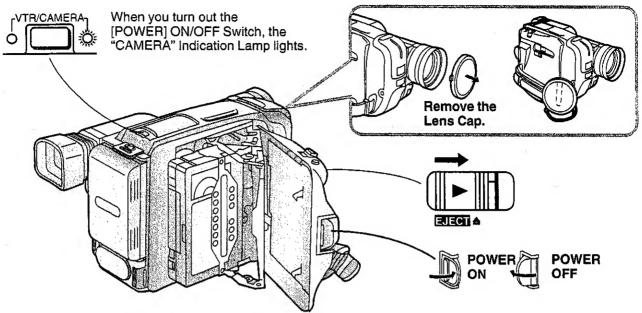
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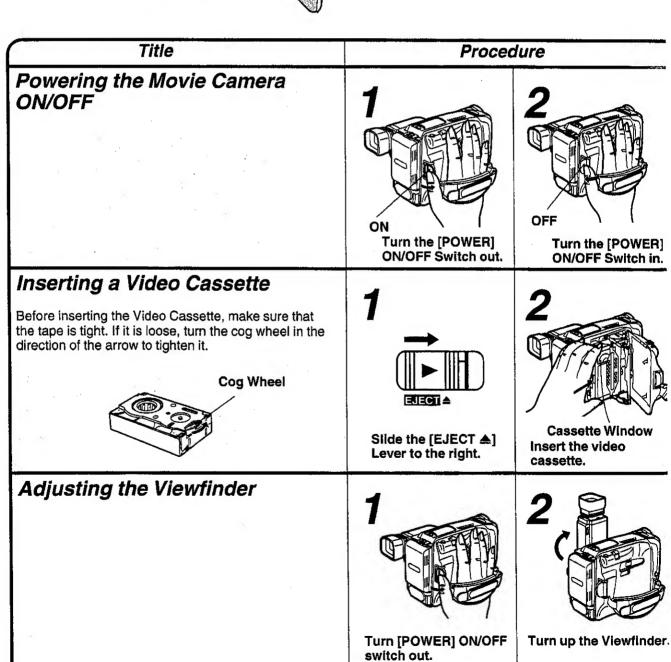
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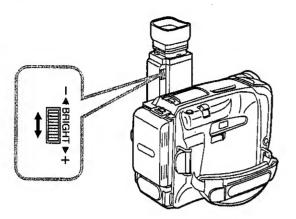
era has turned off automatically ery Pack has become exhausted, ry Pack before connecting the DC AC Adaptor to the Movie Camera ling, otherwise the Movie Camera on.





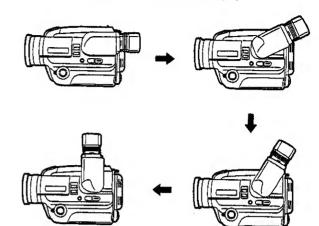
# Adjusting the Brightness of the Viewfinder

If the picture in the Viewfinder is too dark or too bright, adjust by turnning the Viewfinder Brightness Control.

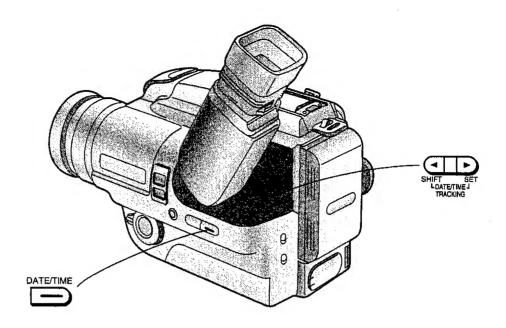


# Adjusting the Angle of the Viewfinde

The tilting range of the Viewfinder is 90° (4 positions are marked by click stops).



	Remarks, etc.
	When you turn on the Movie Camera on while a Video Cassette is already inside, the "READ" Indication initially appears in the Viewfinder while it reads the VITC address of the last recorded scene from the Video Cassette. After a short moment, the Movie Camera then switches over to the recording Pause Mode and the "PAUSE" Indication appears.  The "READ" Indication also appears in the Viewfinder when you switch over from the "VTR" mode to the "CAMERA" mode by pressing the [VTR/CAMERA] Button and exchange a Video Cassette.
3 Close.	■ Ejecting the Video Cassette  After you have stopped recording, slide the [EJECT ▲]  Lever to the right. The Cassette Compartment Cover opens after a few seconds and you can then take out the Video Cassette.  It is not possible to take out the video cassette during recording.  Do not repeatedly insert and take out the Video Cassette. This could cause the tape to become loose and damaged.
3  Eyepiece Correction Adjuster	
Look into the Viewfinder and slide the Adjuster until the indications in the Viewfinder are clear and easy to read.	



Title	Proc	edure
Setting the Date and Time  Before setting, attach the charged Battery Pack or connect the AC Adaptor to the Movie Camera and turn	1 DATE/TIME	2
the Movie Camera on.  For example: To set the clock to October 15, 1996, 12:30	Press the [DATE/ TIME] Button.	Press until the "Year" portion flashes.
	Fress to set to "10".	Press to make the "Day" portion flash.
	9 SHIFT SALL TRACKING	10  AIFT SET TRACKING
	Press to set to "12".	Press to make the "Minute" portion flash
Inserting and Deleting the Date and Time		PATE/TIME

To insert or delete the Date and Time (or Date only) Indication, press this button repeatedly. The indications appear and disappear in the order shown on the right.

Pause Mode.

The Date and Time Indications can be inserted and deleted during recording as well as in the Recording

A built-in rechargeable lithium battery inside the Movie Camera maintains the operation of the built-in clock when the Movie Camera is not in operation. Whenever the Movie Camera is in operation, it automatically recharges this battery. However, if you don't use the Movie Camera for a very long time, the lithium battery can become exhausted.

In this case, the "" Indication in the Viewfinder flashes and the date returns to the initial Indication "1.1.1990".

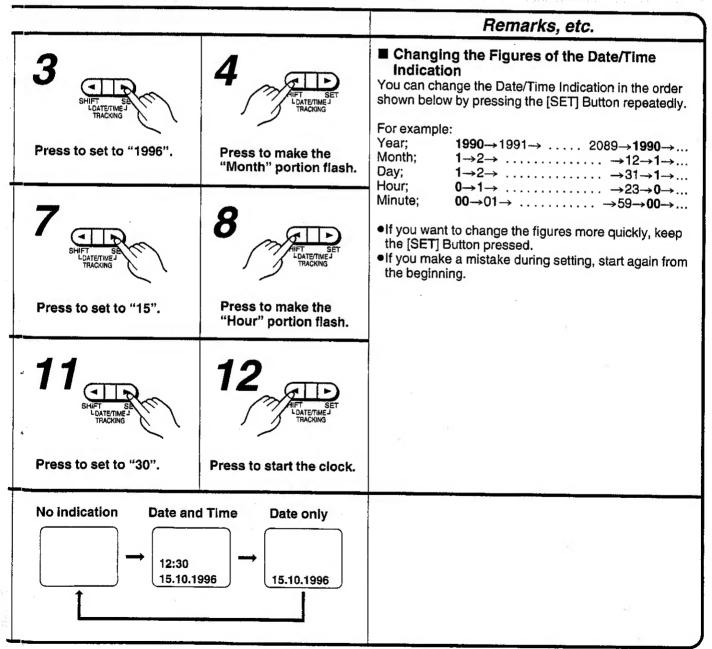
If the "" Indication in the Viewfinder flashes for approx. 10 seconds when you turn the Movie Camera on, the lithium battery is exhausted and must be charged as explained on the right.

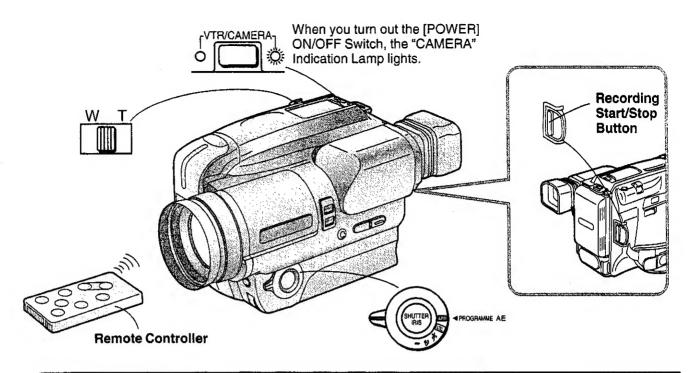
- 1 Connect the Movie Camera (with power off condition) to the AC Adaptor and wait for approx. 8 hours.
  - After charging the lithium battery in this way, it can maintain the operation of the clock for approx. three months.

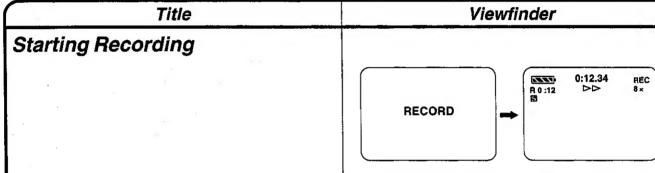
Information for your safety

#### WARNING

THE LITHIUM BATTERY IN THIS UNIT MUST ONLY BE REPLACED BY QUALIFIED PERSONNEL. IF THIS IS NECESSARY, CONTACT THE PANASONIC CUSTOMER CARE CENTRE ON 132600 FOR YOUR NEAREST AUTHORISED SERVICE CENTRE.





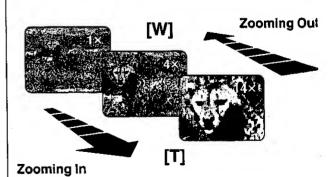


For the detailed explanations for each indication in the Viewfinder, see p. 20. Shown above is a typical example of the indications visible when recording in the Auto Mode.

# Making the Subject Larger or Smaller During Recording (Zooming)

Zooming is also possible in the Recording Pause Mode, so you can select the desired zoom setting before you start recording.

- ●In the maximum tele setting (14×), the minimum recording distance is 1.5 m. If you want to approach the subject closer, see p. 17 "Using the Macro Close-up Function".
- •To prevent inadvertent operation of other infra-red remote-controlled units, this Movie Camera needs to receive each infra-red command 3 times. For this reason, there is a slight delay between pressing the [W] or [T] Button on the Remote Controller and the actual operation of the mechanical zoom function on the Movie Camera.

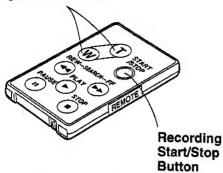


- •The approximate selected zoom magnification is indicated in the Viewfinder.
- The zoom range extends from the wide-angle setting of the lens (1×) to the tele setting (14×).

#### ■ Remote Controller

Recording Start and Stop as well as zooming in and out can be operated with this Remote Controller.

# [W • T] Zoom Buttons



- •It is not possible to turn the Digital Zoom Function on and off.
- •The zooming speed can not be changed.

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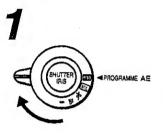


Many VHS VTRs feature the Index Search and Intro Scan Functions that make it easy to locate the beginning of scenes marked with index signals. This Movie Camera automatically records an index signal in the following cases:

- When recording is started for the first time after attaching the Battery Pack.
- When recording is restarted after exchanging the cassette or after pressing the [VTR/CAMERA] Button.

The "INDEX" Indication flashes briefly in the Viewfinder while the Movie Camera records an index signal.

# **Procedure**



Confirm that the [AE] Selector is set to "AUTO".



Press the Recording Start/Stop Button.

# Remarks, etc.

# ■ To Stop (Pause) the Recording:

Press the Recording Start/Stop Button.

The "PAUSE" Indication appears in the Viewfinder.

- •If you leave the Movie Camera in the Recording Pause Mode for more than 6 minutes, it automatically switches off to protect the tape and to conserve battery power. If you want to resume recording from this condition, turn the [POWER] ON/OFF Switch in (the Movie Camera switches off) and then turn it out again.
- To Finish Recording:

Turn the [POWER] ON/OFF Switch in. (The Movie Camera switches off.)

# **1** ■ Zooming in



"T" means Tele.

# **■** Zooming Out



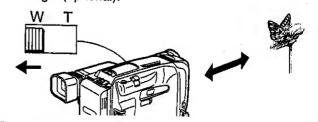
"W" means Wide.

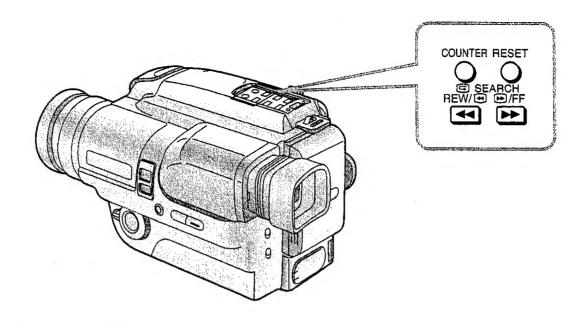
• The zooming speed varies depending on how far you push the [W • T] Zoom Lever towards "W" or "T". (The further you push it, the faster the zooming speed becomes.)

# ■ Using the Macro Close-up Function

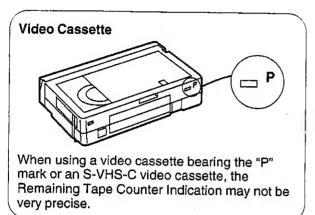
After keeping the [W•T] Zoom Lever pressed toward "W" to zoom to the maximum wide-angle setting, the subject can be focussed down to a minimum distance of only 5 mm between lens and subject.

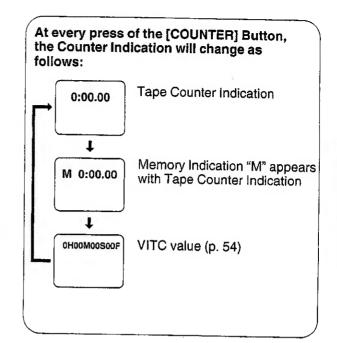
- As the depth of field is very small in this mode, even slight camera movements can cause the subject to go out of focus. Therefore, it is recommended to use a tripod (optional).
- If you want to record pictures in a photo album or a similar situation with insufficient lighting, use a Video DC Light (optional).





Title	Viewfinder	Procedure
Using the Tape Counter Indication  The Tape Counter in the Viewfinder shows the elapsed recording or playback time in hours, minutes and seconds.  To make it easy to keep track of the elapsed recording time, reset the Tape Counter to "0:00.00" by pressing the [RESET] Button.	0:00.00 Seconds Minutes Hours	To Reset the Tape Counter:
Using the Memory Function  The Memory Function makes it easy to locate the beginning of a desired scene or any other point during recording.  To use this function, mark the desired point by following steps 1 to 3 on the right. When you then rewind or fast-forward the tape, it stops automatically at the "0:00.00" position.	M 0:00.00  Means: Memory	To Make the "M" Indication Appear
Confirming the Remaining Tape Time  During recording or playback, the Remaining Tape Time is automatically displayed in the Viewfinder.  Note: This function is only meant as a guide. The Remaining Tape Time Indication is subject to imprecision due to either customer error (such as incorrectly selected Tape Length) or stretching of the tape.	R 0:30  Means: Remaining	

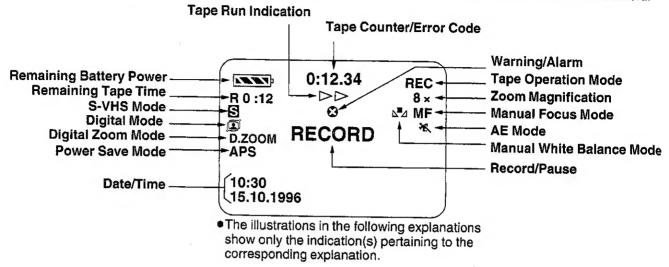




		Remarks, etc.
		<ul> <li>If you playback a tape on which no recording has ever been made, the Tape Counter Indication does not change.</li> <li>If you take out the Cassette or remove the Battery Pack, the Tape Counter automatically resets to "0:00.00".</li> <li>If you rewind the tape further than the tape counter position "0:00.00", the minus sign "—" appears in front of the Tape Counter Indication.</li> </ul>
<b>2</b> ■ To Reset the Tape Counter:  RESET	REW/ P/FF	
		<ul> <li>When you start recording or playback, the "R" Indication flashes for a few seconds in the Viewfinder, while the Movie Camera calculates the Remaining Tape Time.</li> <li>When the Remaining Tape Time becomes less than 2 minutes, the Indication "R" and the Remaining Tape Time start to flash.</li> </ul>

# Quick Reference Guide to the Indications in the Viewfinder

The following indications are displayed in the Viewfinder to inform you about the condition of the Movie Camera.



# 1 Warning/Alarm Indications

Viewfinder	Condition	Page
U10	Condensation Condensation has formed inside the Movie Camera. Wait until the "U10/ Indication disappears.	62
Ut1	Video Head Clogging Dirt, dust and particles of the tape coating have accumulated on the video heads. Have the heads cleaned by qualified Service Personnel.	62
	Remaining Battery Power  The 4 segments of the Remaining Battery Power Indication "Degin to disappear one after another as the power of the Battery Pack weakens.  When only the last segment remains, the "Degin indication starts to flash in the centre of the Viewfinder. When the last segment has disappeared, the "CAMERA" Indication Lamp flashes for a few seconds, and then the Movie Camera automatically switches itself off. Replace the exhausted Battery Pack with a fully charged one.	10
\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\	Tape When no video cassette is inserted or when the tab of the inserted video cassette is broken out, this indication flashes. Insert a video cassette with intact tab.	12, 59

# 1 Warning/Alarm Indications (cont.)

Viewfinder	Condition	Page
,	Built-in Lithium Battery The Built-in Lithium Battery is exhausted. Recharge it.	15
ESEND	End of the Tape When the tape has reached its end, this indication appears. Insert a new video cassette.	
CHK?	Anti-Ground-Recording When the Movie Camera is tilted downwards more than about 70° from its normal horizontal position during recording (with the [POWER SAVE] Switch set to "ON"), the Movie Camera automatically switches over to the Recording Pause Mode.  If the Movie Camera is then returned to its normal horizontal recording position, the "CHK" Indication will flash in the Viewfinder.	49

# 2 Error Code Indications

Viewfinder
F01 :: :: F01 F02 F03 F04 F05 F51 F52

# Quick Reference Guide to the Indications in the Viewfinder (cont.)

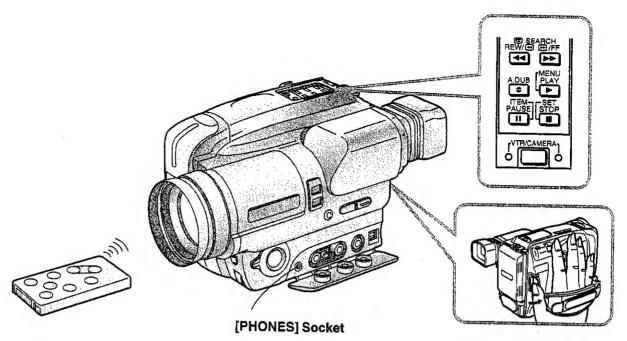
# 3 Recording/Playback Indications

Viewfinder	Condition		
RECORD	Recording Mode (large indication) (p. 16) When the Recording Start/ Stop Button is pressed from the Recording Pause Mode, this indication is displayed for approx. 1 second.		
REC	Recording Mode (small indication) (p. 16) This indication appears approx. 1 second after you start recording and remains displayed until you stop recording. "REC" means Recording.		
\times_\	Tape Run Indication (p. 16)		
PAUSE	Recording Pause Mode (large Indication) (p. 17) When the Recording Start/ Stop Button is pressed from the Recording Mode, this indication is displayed for approx. 1 second.		
PAUSE	Recording Pause Mode (small Indication) (p. 17) This indication appears approx. 1 second after you pause the recording and remains displayed until you restart the recording, change over to the VTR Mode or turn the Movie Camera off.		
СНК	Rec Check Mode (p. 46) This indication is displayed while the last 2–3 seconds of the last recorded scene are being played back. "CHK" means Check.		
Δ	Playback/Search Mode (p. 25, 47)		
	Fast Forward/Cue Mode (p. 24)		

Viewfinder	Condition	
✓	Rewind/Review/Camera Search Mode (p. 24, 46)	
	Still Playback Mode (p. 25)	
0:00.00	Tape Counter (p. 18)	
M 0:00.00	Tape Counter with activated Memory Function (p. 18) "M" means Memory.	
R 0:30	Remaining Tape Time (p. 18) "R" means Remaining.	
Ø2330	Tape Length (p. 18) The Tape Length Indication can be selected with the Menu Mode.	
12:30 15.10.1996	Date and Time (p. 15)	
14×	Zoom Magnification (p. 16) When zooming in on a subject, the indicated zoom magnification value increases.	
N <sup>2</sup> d	Manual White Balance Adjustment Mode (p. 33)	
S	S-VHS Format (p. 37)	
HE	Hi-Fi Mode During playback of Hi-Fi sound, the "Fila" Indication is displayed in the Viewfinder.	

Viewfinder	Condition	
MNL	Manual Recording Mode (p. 28, 32) This indication is displayed when you select the Manual Recording Mode with the [AE] Selector. In this mode, you need to adjust the focus and the white balance adjustment manually. "MNL" means Manual.	
*	Sports Mode (p. 38) This indication is displayed when you select the Sports Mode with the [AE] Selector.	
žš.	Portrait Mode (p. 38) This indication is displayed when you select the Portrait Mode with the [AE] Selector.	
4	Low Light Mode (p. 38) This indication is displayed when you select the Low Light Mode with the [AE] Selector.	
MF	Manual focus Mode (p. 28) "MF" means Manual Focus.	
GAIN8× MF	Digital Gain-up Mode (p. 42) When the sensitivity is increased, the "GAIN 8×" Indication appears.	
MIX	Digital Mix Mode (p. 44) The "MIX" Indications displayed when a still picture is in the digital memory.	
WIPE	Digital Wipe Mode (p. 44) The "WIPE" Indication is displayed when a still picture is in the digital memory.	
SNAP	Snapshot Mode (p. 36)	
D.ZOOM	Super Image Stabilizer Mode (p. 42) The "D.ZOOM" Indication appears, too.	

Viewfinder	Condition	
APS	Power Save Mode (p. 48) This indication is displayed when the [POWER SAVE] Switch is set to "ON".	
JINDEX E	Index (p. 17) While this indication is flashing, an index signal is being recorded.	
D.ZOOM	Digital Zoom Mode (p. 42) D.Zoom Indication appears and Zoom magnification extended to 100×.	
ADUB	Audio Dubbing Mode (p. 55)	
ADUB 11	Audio Dubbing Pause Mode (p. 55)	
PORMAY PENNS VISE TO RECORD TO PENNS VISE TO RECORD RECORD FOR THE VISE TO PENNS VISE	Menu Mode (p. 36) This Indication is displayed when pressing the [MENU/PLAY] Button.	
DR	VITC "DR-ON" Mode (p. 54) The "DR" Indication is displayed when selecting "DR-ON" for the "VITC" in the Menu Mode.	
0H00M00S00F 10× MF 1/1000 F2.0	VITC and Camera Information (p. 55)	
1/1000 ►F2.0	Shutter Speed/Iris Value (p. 40)	
CINEMA	CINEMA Mode (p. 36) When set to "ON", a black band appears at the top and bottom on the Viewfinder screen, and recording is possible in a "cinema-like" format.	
READ	READ (p. 13) The "READ" Indication appears while it reads the VITC address of the last recorded scene from the Video Cassette.	



Title	Procedure		
Playing Back on the Viewfinder or a TV  [To Play Back Via a TV Set]  1. Connect the Movie Camera to a TV set. (p. 8)  2. Follow steps 1 through 4 on the right.	Turn the [POWER] ON/OFF Switch out.	The "VTR" Indication Lamp lights up.	
Rewinding or Fast-Forwarding the Tape	■ For Fast- Forwarding:	■ For Rewinding	
Perform these operations with the Movie Camera in the VTR Stop Mode ("VTR" Indication Lamp is lit).	⊕/FF	REW/@	
Using the Cue, Review and Still Playback Functions During Normal Playback	For Cue Playback:	For Review Playback:  REW/  Keep pressed.	
	Cue Playback Mode	Review Playback Mo	

### ■ Remote Controller

Playback, Fast-forward, Rewind, Stop and Pause operations can be operated with this Remote controller.

[PLAY] Button

[PLAY] Button

[FF] Button

[STOP] Button

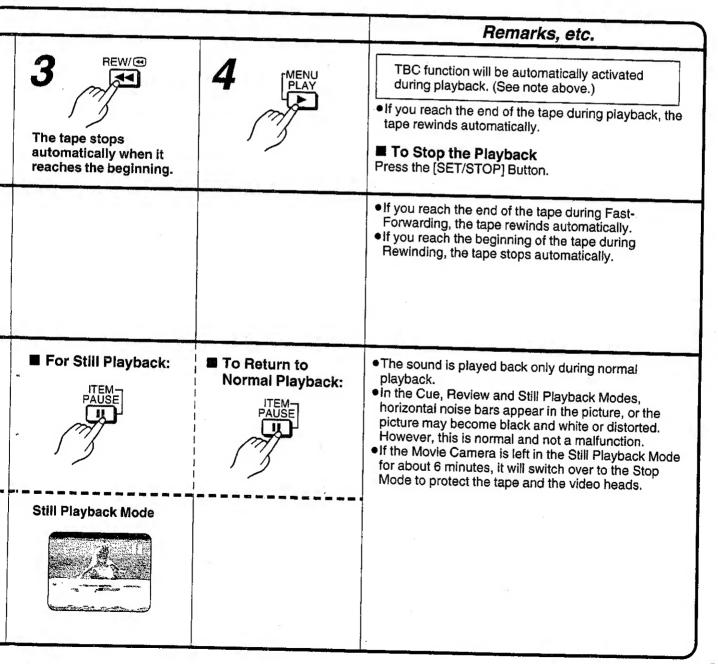
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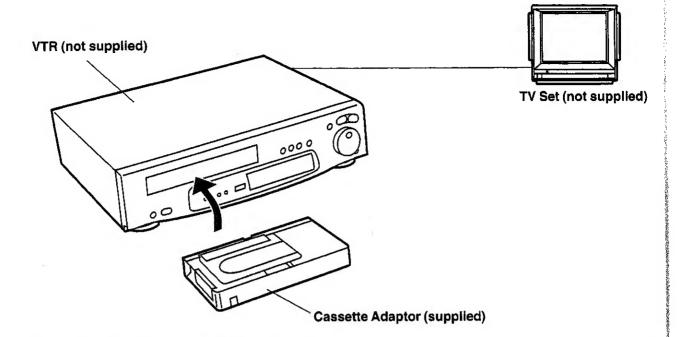
This Movie Camera is equipped with a built-in Time Base Corrector (TBC). This TBC function produces stable playback pictures by compensating for slight picture distortions caused by instability of the tape movement. This function makes the Movie Camera highly suited as source machine for editing.

- As the TBC function automatically works in the playback mode, it requires no special operation.
- •It is not possible to turn the TBC function off.

# FemplayJeankownin Sound

To listen to the recorded sound during playback connect stereo headphones (optional) to the [PHONES] Socket. (When playing back a cassette tape on which audio dubbing has been performed, refer to p. 55.)





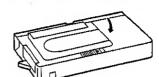
Title	Procedure	
Playing Back on a VTR, Using the Supplied Cassette Adaptor  Tighten the Tape  Cog Wheel  Before inserting a video cassette, check that the tape is tight. If it is loose, tighten it by turning the cog wheel in the direction of the arrow.	Battery Compartment Cover  Remove the Battery Compartment Cover.	Supplied Battery (R6) Insert the Battery (R6)
	Insert the recorded video cassette.	Close the Top Cover

1 Slide the Open Lever.



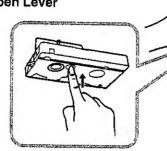
Adaptor into the VTR.

Push out the video cassette from the bottom of the Cassette Adaptor and remove the video cassette.

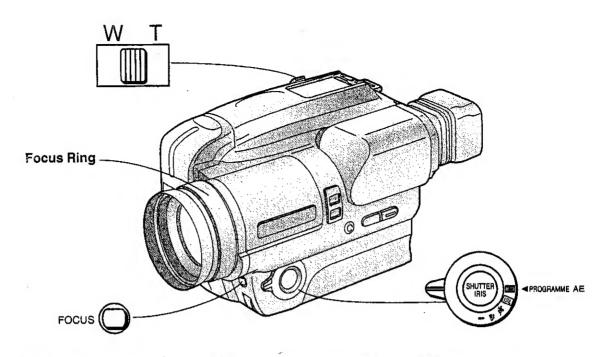


 $oldsymbol{\mathcal{S}}$  Close the Top Cover.

**Open Lever** 



Remarks, etc. • If you want to get optimum picture quality, it may be necessary to adjust the tracking control on the VTR. • Never insert the Cassette Adaptor into a VTR unless it is loaded with a video cassette. Do not insert the Cassette Adaptor into a VTR and take it out again without running the tape, because this could loosen the tape. When you load the video cassette into the Cassette Adaptor or remove it, be careful not to touch the tape. After use, take the video cassette out from the Cassette Adaptor. **Open Lever** Re-attach the Battery Slide the Open Lever. Compartment Cover. Operate the VTR. Insert the Cassette



Procedure		
1		
SHUTTER PROGRAMME AE		
1	2	
SMUTTER ON PROGRAMME AE	FOCUS	
The "MNL" Indication appears in the Viewfinder.	The "MF" Indication appears in the Viewfinder.	
	The "MNL" Indication appears in the	

# Remarks, etc.

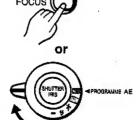
• For detailed explanations about focusing, see pages 30 and 31.

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Adjust the Focus Ring until the subject is in focus.

■ To Cancel the Manual Focus Mode:



Press the [FOCUS] Button to make the "MF" Indication disappear. Or reset the [AE] Selector to "AUTO". ■ Hints for Manual Focus Adjustment

 To ensure that the subject remains precisely focussed at any zoom setting, first zoom in on the subject (push Zoom Lever toward "T") until it fills the Viewfinder 1.

After adjusting the focus, zoom out (push Zoom Lever toward "W") to frame the subject as desired 2.

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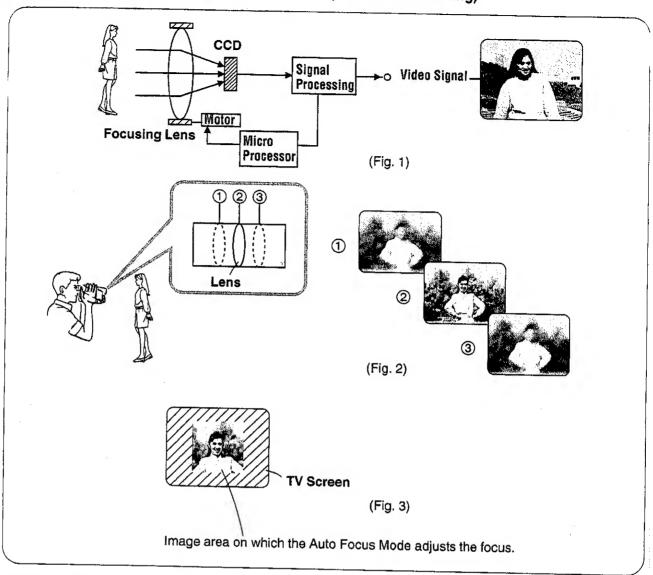


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 If you adjust the focus in the wide-angle setting, the subject may go out of focus when you later zoom in on the subject.

# ■ Operation Principle of the Auto Focus Mode (Automatic Focusing)



# ■ Focusing

If you look at an object through a magnifying glass and move it closer or further away from your eye, you will reach a point where the object becomes clearly visible, and when you move it past that point, it will become blurred again. Being focused or in focus means that the subject is seen with optimum clarity and sharpness. The distance between the lens and the point where the rays of light come together is called "focal distance" or "focal length" and it depends on the size and shape of the lens.

### In Human Eyes

Human eyes have lenses as well, and when we look at objects at different distances, the shape of these lenses changes automatically so that we can always see these objects clearly.

# In the Movie Camera

The image of the subject enters the Movie Camera through the lens and is converted into an electrical signal (video signal) for recording onto magnetic tape. In the Movie Camera, the "Auto Focus" system automatically adjusts the focal distance by moving the focusing lens forward or backward.

# ■ The Auto Focus Mechanism of this Movie Camera

- •In Movie Cameras, one of the following two methods is generally used:
- Infrared Focusing: The recording distance is calculated and adjusted based on the time it takes for an infrared signal emitted from the front of the Movie Camera to be bounced off the subject and received back by a sensor on the Movie Camera.
- Camera-Internal Electronic Focusing: The focus is adjusted based exclusively on the image received by the Movie Camera and the resulting picture signal.

This Panasonic Movie Camera employs the Internal Electronic Focusing Method.

- As shown in Fig. 1 on the left page, when you aim the Movie Camera at the subject you want to record, the microprocessor moves the lens little by little based on the information about vertical contours of the subject in the picture signal. At the point where the vertical contours of the subject become sharpest, it judges that the subject is in focus and stops the lens. (See Fig. 2.)
- Special Characteristics of the Movie Camera's Automatic Focus Adjustment Mode
- (A) It adjusts the focus for sharpest vertical lines.

(B) It adjusts the focus on parts of the subject with strong contrast.

(C) if adjusts the focus only on the centre part of the picture on the viewfinder screen. (The area where the subject is in focus is much smaller than the TV screen, as shown in the Fig. 3.)

Unlike the human eyes, however, the Movie Camera's Auto Focus System cannot change the focus from a distant to a close subject without any delay. Therefore, use the Manual Focus Mode when you are going to record the following types of subjects or in the following kinds of places:

# Subjects with Shiny Surfaces or Much Light Reflection

As the Movie Camera adjusts the focus on the objects with shiny surfaces or much light reflection, the subject may go out of focus.

 The subject may be out of focus when it is recorded at the seaside in the evening, under firework illumination or when special kinds of lights are used.

# **Fast-moving Subjects**

As the lens is moved mechanically, it cannot follow fast-moving subjects without delay.

 Subjects like a quickly and abruptly moving children may temporarily go out of focus.

# **Subjects with Weak Contrast**

As the Movie Camera adjusts the focus based on vertical contours in the picture, subjects with little contrast may be out of focus.

 When recording a flat white wall, for example, the Movie Camera has no information by which it can adjust the focus correctly.

### Subjects with a Part of It Near the Movie Camera and Another Part Far Away from It

As the focus is adjusted on the centre part of the image, it is difficult to bring the distant part of the subject in focus.

 When you want to record a person with a distant mountain behind, it is not possible to focus on both.

# Subjects Behind Moving Objects

As the focus is adjusted on the person or object that passes between the Movie Camera and the subject, the subject temporarily go out of focus.

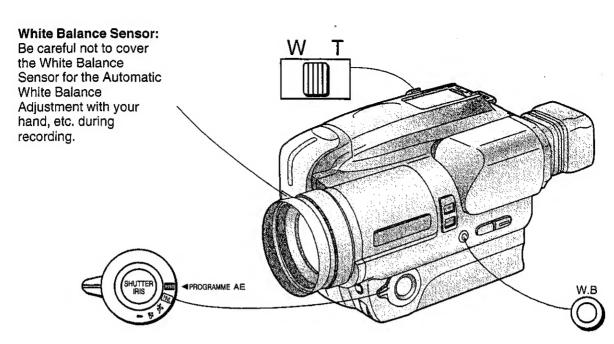
 When recording a subject across a street on which cars are running, the subjects may go in and out of focus.

# Subjects with Dark Surfaces

If the amount of light entering the lens is greatly reduced, the Movie Camera has very little information by which to adjust the focus.

 When recording persons in dark surroundings, precise focusing may not be possible.

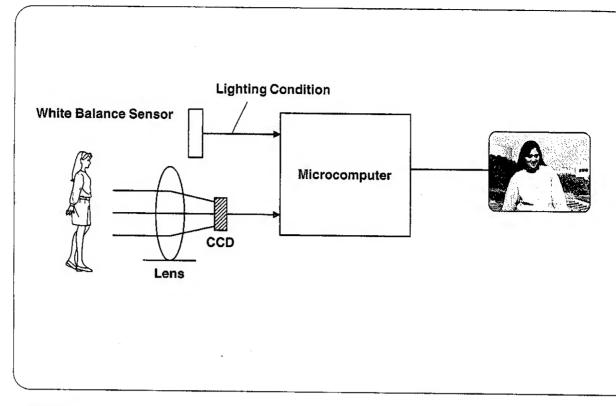
- Precise focusing may also not be possible for subjects that have no vertical contours or are behind glass covered with dirt, dust or water droplets.
- Finger print marks on lens may cause focus not to operate clearly. When at wide angle the Movie Camera may attempt to focus onto the finger prints (treating them as a MACRO Subject). Check and clean the lens correctly.
- •If recording in a moving vehicle focus accuracy may be impaired due to the following:
- a) Dirt or water droplets on the car windows and recording through glass may change the focus point
- b) Scenery changing too quickly, no time for the camera to adjust focus
- c) Distance between subject and camera always changing
- We suggest you use Manual Focus. Please refer to pages 28–29 "Recording in Manual Focus Mode" in your operating instructions.



Title	Procedure	
Recording with Automatic White Balance Adjustment	1	
When the [AE] Selector is set to "AUTO", it is possible to record pictures with natural colours under almost any recording condition.  ●When the [AE] Selector is set to a position other than "AUTO" and the "♣️" Indication is displayed in the Viewfinder, press the [W.B] Button to make the "♣️" Indication disappear.	SHUTTER PROGRAMME AE	
Recording with Manual White Balance Adjustment	1	2
If there is only one light source: Follow the operation steps 1~4 on the right.		
Note: If there are several light sources or if the illumination is weak: In operation step 2, instead of attaching the Lens Cap, point the Movie Camera at a pure white subject.	SHUTTER 1855. PROGRAMME AE	
<ul> <li>If you want to record under weak illumination, precise Manual White Balance Adjustment may not be possible. In this case, record in the "AUTO" Mode.</li> </ul>	The "MNL" Indication appears in the Viewfinder.	Attach the Lens Cap and point the Movie Camera at subject.
		or Point the Movie Camera at a pure wh subject.

Remarks, etc. • For detailed explanations about the white balance, see pages 34 and 35. If you want to momentarily use an additional light source with low colour temperature (e.g. halogen lamp) while recording a subject with high colour temperature (e.g. blue sky or TV screen), unnatural colours will result. The manually adjusted white balance setting is maintained until you adjust it anew or reset the [AE] Selector to "AUTO". However, to ensure optimum colour reproduction, it is recommended to adjust the white balance for each new scene, like the professionals do. This is because even slight changes in the lighting that are not noticeable to the human eye could give the picture a reddish or bluish Keep pushed until the Press for more than Vlewfinder becomes 1 second (until "△"⊿" ■ To Cancel the Manual White Balance completely white. Indication stops **Adjustment** flashing). Press the [W.B] Button. Or reset the [AE] Selector to "AUTO".

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### **■** White Balance

In addition to sunlight, there are various kinds of electric lights in use today, such as incandescent lamps, fluorescent lamps, etc. The colour of the subject differs depending on the light that falls on it.

#### Human Eyes

can easily adjust to different kinds of lighting and recognize an object as having the same colour, even under different light.

#### Movie Cameras

do not have such an adaptability. Therefore, if the subject were recorded without any colour adjustment, the lighting would influence the colouring of the reproduced picture, giving it a bluish or reddish tint. To prevent the an adjustment called "White Balance Adjustment" needs to be performed on the Movie Camera, either automatically or manually.

### **■** White Balance Adjustment

This adjusts the Movie Camera to pure white under different lighting conditions. After white is set, the Movie Camera can compensate for the colour in the lighting and adjust the other colours accordingly. As white is the combination of all colours (light), if white colour is correctly adjusted, recording scenes with natural colours is possible under almost any lighting condition.

# ■ Automatic White Balance Adjustment

To provide natural colours in the most common lighting situations, this Movie Camera has optimum settings for these conditions stored in memory. It determines the colour of the light entering through the lens as well as through the White Balance Sensor window and selects the matching colour setting from among the stored settings. This function is called "Automatic White Balance Adjustment".

However, as the optimum settings of only several types of light sources are stored in memory, the Automatic White Balance Adjustment does not work with sufficient precision in all conditions. In some cases, the Manual White Balance Adjustment should be used.

■ Manual White Balance Adjustment

With the Manual White Balance Adjustment, the user can adjust the colour compensation for the light source used for a particular scene. For this adjustment, the Lens Cap is put on the lens and the [W.T] Button pressed, so the Movie Camera can determine how much the white of the lens cap under the present lighting deviates from the value for pure white stored in memory. Alternatively, the user can aim the Movie Camera at a pure white object (e.g. a sheet of pure white paper) instead of using the White Lens Cap.

The chart below shows the range of lighting sources within which the Automatic White Balance Adjustment can provide accurate compensation. For recording under lighting conditions outside this range, use the Manual White Balance Adjustment because the Automatic White Balance Adjustment cannot provide satisfactory results.

■ Colour Temperature and White Balance

The colour temperature of the light source is measured in Kelvin. The higher the Kelvin value is, the more bluish is the light; the lower the value, the more reddish is the light. This is not directly related to the brightness. The table below shows the relationship between natural light, artificial light and colour temperature.

Natural Light	1 -	olour erature	Artificial Light	Effect on the picture
●Blue sky	10,000 K		1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	If you want to record under light sources within this range, use
Slightly overcast sky	7,000 K~ 8,000 K	8,000 K~ 9,000 K	●TV screen	Bluish the Manual White Balance Adjustment. (In the Auto White Balance Adjustment, the picture
•Cloudy sky (Rain)	6,000 K			could have a bluish cast.)
•Sunlight	5,000 K			If you want to record under light sources within this range, you can use the Auto
	 	4,800 K	•Fluorescent lamp (white)	White Balance Adjustment. Whitish colour
●1~2 hours after sunrise or before sunset	3,000 K~ 4,200 K	2,500 K~ 3,500 K	•Fluorescent lamp (not white) or studio lamp	
•Sunrise or sunset	2,000 K~ 2,500 K	2,000 K~ 2,800 K	•Halogen light bulb	Reddish If you want to record
	1	2,000 K~ 2,500 K	•Tungsten lamp	colour under light sources within this range, use the Manual White Balance Adjustment. (In
		1,500 K~ 2,000 K	●Candlelight බ	the Auto White Balance Adjustment, the picture could have a reddish cast.)

For the following types of scenes, the Automatic White Balance Adjustment cannot provide satisfactory results, even if the light source is within the range described above. Use the Manual white balance Adjustment instead.

# When a Scene is Llt by Several Light Sources

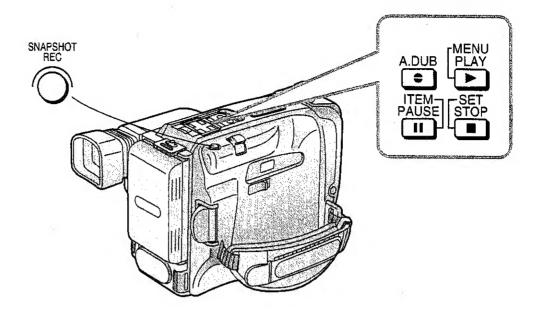
If there is more than one light source for a scene, the Movie Camera cannot decide which of the stored White Balance Adjustment settings to use. Therefore, precise Automatic White Balance Adjustment is not possible in such cases.

# When recording an Outdoor Scene from Inside a Building

As the colour of the light entering through the lens differs greatly from that received by the White Balance Sensor, the Automatic White Balance Adjustment will compensate for indoor lighting and this results in unnatural colours.

# When recording in a Very Dark Place

As the colour information entering through the lens is greatly reduced, the Automatic White Balance Adjustment cannot correctly compensate for the colour of the lighting and this results in unnatural colours.



# **Title**

# Using the Menu Function

- ◆The Menu Function is used to select the items shown in the Viewfinder on the right.
- 1: For selecting the VHS mode or S-VHS mode.
- ②: For selecting "EC30", "EC45" or "EC60" according to the video cassette being used.
- ③: For turning the On-Screen Display Function on or off:

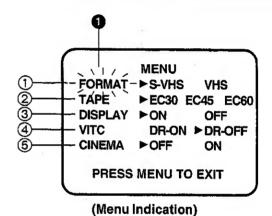
When set to "ON", all Indications appear in the Viewfinder.

When set to "OFF", only the Warning/Alarm Indications, Tape Operation Mode and Date and Time Indications appear in the Viewfinder.

- (4): For selecting the desired user code system for VITC. (p. 54)
- (5): For selecting the "CINEMA" Mode or recording in the normal format.

When set to "ON", a black band appears at the top and bottom on the Viewfinder screen, as shown on the right, and recording is possible in a "cinema-like" format.

# Viewfinder



The above Menu screen shows the original factory

settings.

CINEMA

(When "ON" is selected for the Cinema Mode)

# Recording a Still Picture for 5 Seconds (Snapshot)

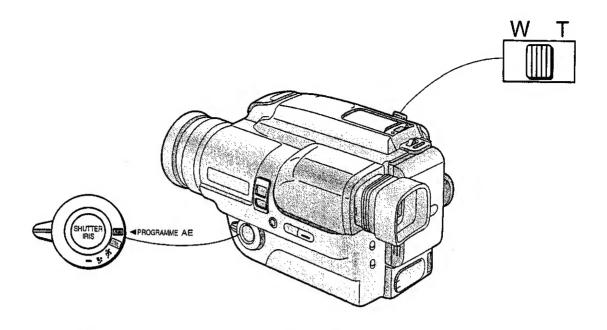
Recording a still picture for approx. 5 seconds can be performed by pressing a single button in the Recording Pause Mode.

(When using this function repeatedly, wait at least 2 to 3 seconds before pressing this Button again.)



• The picture in the Viewfinder stands still, too.

Proced	lure	Remarks, etc.
Press while in the Recording Pause Mode.  Press and select with the ">" Marks.	Press and select. The indication of the selected flashes.  To Return to the Normal Recording Mode	•While the Menu is displayed, recording is not possible.  •The selections made on the Menu screen will be maintained even when the Movie Camera is turned off.  •It is possible to display the Menu on the TV screen. (For the connection to a TV set, see page 8.)  •When the S-VHS mode is selected, the "S" Indication is displayed in the Viewfinder. (However, when a normal VHS-C video cassette is inserted in the Movie Camera, the "S" Indication does not appear, because recording in the S-VHS mode is not possible on a normal VHS-C video cassette.)
SNAPSHOT REC  Press while in the Recording Pause Mode.		<ul> <li>Since the still picture is recorded from the image memory, the picture quality may be slightly inferior to that of normally recorded pictures.</li> <li>To prevent picture distortion, do not move or shake the Movie Camera during still picture recording.</li> <li>While the Digital Wipe Function or the Digital Mix Function is activated, this function cannot be operated.</li> <li>If the Viewfinder has been turned off by the Auto Power Save Function, the Snapshot Function cannot be activated.</li> </ul>



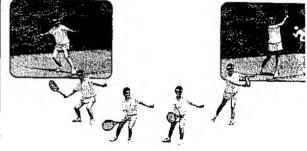
### Title

# Recording Fast-Moving Subjects

#### **■** Using the Sports Mode

Use this function to record sports and other fast-action scenes, if you want to play back these scenes in a VTR using still and slow motion playback for motion analysis. This provides sharp picture contours and enhanced detail.





Viewfinder

# Making Subjects Stand out Sharply from the Background

#### **■** Using the Portrait Mode

In the Portrait Mode, the iris is automatically set to the maximum aperture for a very small depth-of-field. This gives you a sharply focused subject in the centre of the picture with a blurred background and foreground.









# Recording Dark Scenes More Brightly

## ■ Using the Low Light Mode

The Low Light Mode lets you brighten up the picture when recording under dim lighting, for example outdoor scenes at dusk, scenes under party lighting or indoor scans under weak room lighting.







### Notes to be child Sports who is

- The subject must be brightly lit by sunlight or other strong light and contain little shadow.
- If you want to record under fluorescent, mercury-vapour or natrium lamps, some flickering may be noticeable.
- flickering may be noticeable.

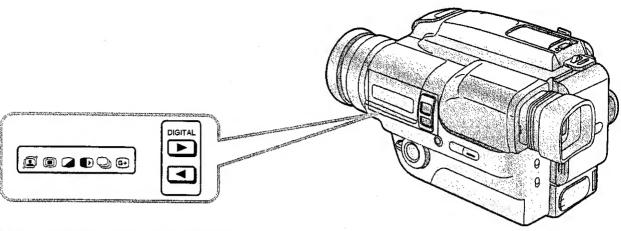
  The picture may become slightly darker, and during normal playback, the picture movement may not be as smooth as usual.

Procedure		Remarks, etc.
TER AN → PROGRAMME AE	To Return to the Normal Recording Mode:	The shutter speed is automatically adjusted (between 1/50s and 1/500s) according to the brightness of the scene.      If you record under weak lighting, the " ※ " Indication flashes to warn you that the Sports Mode may not be effective.
SHUTTER) 4 APROGRAMME AE	To Return to the Normal Recording Mode:	●If you want to increase the blurring of the background and foreground, zoom in on the subject.
SHUTTER PROGRAMME AÆ	To Return to the Normal Recording Mode:	<ul> <li>If you use this mode for recording outdoors in daylight, the result will be almost the same as when recording in the normal recording mode.</li> <li>There will be a distinct increase in picture noise in low lit areas when using the Low Light Mode. This is normal.</li> </ul>

# Notes for Adjusting the Shutter Speed and Iris

- When recording with the iris wide open, a blue sky may become whitish.
- In case of extremely strong backlight, it may not be possible to brighten up the subject sufficiently.
- Depending on the angle of the sunlight in recording, star-shaped light reflexes may be recorded in the picture when recording with the iris wide open.
- When recording with a high shutter speed, the playback picture will be slightly darker.

		Remarks, etc.
Press after the picture in the Viewfinder has disappeared.	Release after approx. 3 seconds.	
Press after the picture in the Viewfinder has disappeared.	Release.	
Press.  By pressing the button repeatedly, it is possible to change between the Shutter Speed Indication and the Irls Value Indication.	SHUTTER IRIS Turn.	In the Shutter Speed Indication Mode: Turning upward: The shutter speed becomes higher. Turning downward: The shutter speed becomes lower. Range of shutter speed adjustment: 1/50–1/4000 s The iris value is adjusted automatically.  In the Iris Value Indication Mode: Turning upward: The picture in the Viewfinder becomes brighter. Turning downward: The picture in the Viewfinder becomes darker. Range of iris adjustment: Closed—F16.0F2.0— Opened +0 dBOpened +18 dB The shutter speed is fixed.  To Return to the Normal Recording Mode Reset the [AE] Selector to "AUTO".



 Simply By pressing these Digital Buttons, various digital effects can be obtained.
 To cancel the Digital Function, press the lower Digital Button so that none of the 6 indications is lit.

Title	Viewfinder
Super Image Stabilizer Function  This function compensates for possible shaking of the handheld Movie Camera.	→ <b>*</b>
Digital Zoom Function	
<ul> <li>The zoom magnification range is extended to 100×.</li> <li>After selecting the Digital Zoom Mode on the Movie Camera, digital zooming can also be operated with the Remote Controller.</li> </ul>	→ (************************************
Digital Strobe Function	·
This function makes it possible to continuously record still pictures of about 1/4 sec. duration.	
Digital Gain-up Function	
This function makes it possible to film dark scenes more brightly.	

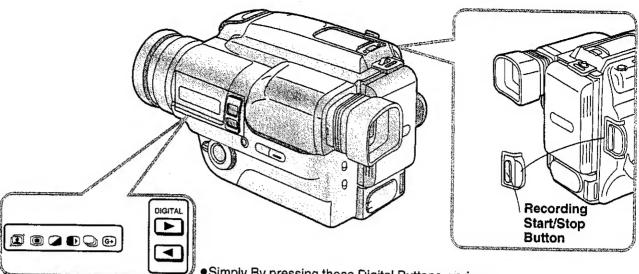
### Cautilons for Use of the Superlinage Stabilizer Function

- When you use the Super Image Stabilizer
   Function in the Auto Mode, the shutter speed is
   automatically adjusted between 1/50s and
   1/125s.
- When you cancel the Super Image Stabilizer
   Function in the Manual Mode, the shutter speed
   is also reset to 1/50s. However, when cancelling
   the Super Image Stabilizer Function after
   recording in the Sports or Portrait Mode or after
   adjusting the shutter speed, the shutter speed is
   not reset to 1/50s.

If you record the following kind of subjects, the picture stabilizing effect may not be sufficient:

- A subject with horizontal or vertical stripes
- A flat subject
- •A dark subject (The Super Image Stabilizer Indication "@" flashes in the Viewfinder.) Increase the amount of light.
- A subject under many fluorescent lamps
- A fast-moving subject
- · A subject with a flat background

Procedure	Remarks, etc.
Press either of the [DIGITAL] Buttons repeatedly until the "@" Indication is lit.	<ul> <li>This function is especially practical for the following recording situations:</li> <li>1. Zooming in on a distant subject.</li> <li>2. Recording while walking.</li> <li>3. Recording from inside a moving car.</li> <li>The "D.ZOOM" Indication appears, too.</li> </ul>
Press either of the [DIGITAL] Buttons repeatedly until the "@" Indication is lit.	When the "D.ZOOM" Indication is displayed in the Viewfinder, the subject can be enlarged up to 100 times.      The zooming speed varies depending on how far the [W•T] Zoom Lever is pushed toward "W" or "T". (The further it is pushed towards either "W" or "T", the faste the zooming speed becomes.)
Press either of the [DIGITAL] Buttons repeatedly until the "Q" Indication is lit.	<ul> <li>Since the strobe pictures are recorded from the digital image memory, the picture quality may be slightly inferior to that of normally recorded pictures.</li> <li>When recording under fluorescent lamps, the brightness of the picture may fluctuate.</li> </ul>
Press either of the [DIGITAL] Buttons repeatedly until the "@" Indication is lit.	When using this function, some after-image distortion may occur.      The focus must be adjusted manually since the Movic Camera is automatically switched into the Manual Focus Mode.      The Sports Mode or the Portrait Mode will be cancelled automatically.

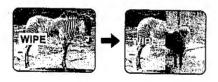


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 To cancel the Digital Function, press the lower Digital Button so that none of the 6 indications is lit.

# Fading Over from the Last Recorded Scene to the Next (Digital Wipe)

**Title** 

This function makes it possible to achieve a smooth transition from the last recorded scene to the next scene. When starting to record the new scene, a still picture of the last scene appears, and it is then changed over to the moving picture of the new scene with Digital Wipe (like opening a curtain).





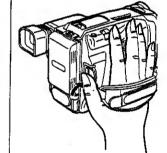
Press either of the [DIGITAL] Buttons repeatedly until the

"Indication is lit.
The "WIPE" Indication

 The "WIPE" Indication appears in the Viewfinder.



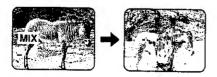
**Procedure** 



Press.
•The Recording starts.

# Fading Over from the Last Recorded Scene to the Next (Digital Mix)

This function makes it possible to achieve a smooth transition from the last recorded scene to the next scene. When starting to record the new scene, a still picture of the last recorded scene appears, and it is then gradually replaced by the moving picture of the new scene.



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Press either of the [DIGITAL] Buttons repeatedly until the " " Indication is lit.

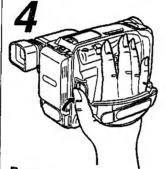
 The "MIX" Indication appears in the Viewfinder. 2



Press.
●The Recording starts.

#### Press.

The Recording stops. The "WIPE" Indication becomes white. The last picture of the last recorded scene is kept in the memory.



#### Press.

 The picture (from the memory) appears as still picture. It is then gradually replaced from right to left by the moving picture of the new scene.

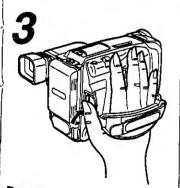


•Since the still picture is recorded from the digital image memory, the picture quality becomes slightly inferior to that of normally recorded pictures.

 Performing Recording Review or pressing the [VTR/CAMERA] Button does not erase the picture in

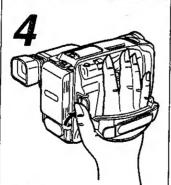
the digital image memory.

•The still picture in the memory will be lost if the Movie Camera is turned off or if the Digital Function is set to "OFF" or to a mode other than MIX or WIPE.



#### Press.

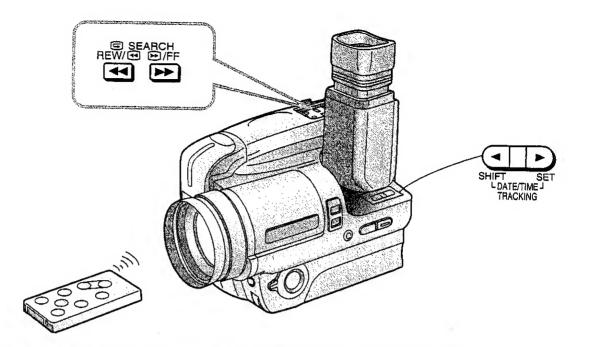
 The Recording stops. The "MIX" Indication becomes white. The last picture of the last recorded scene is kept in the memory.



#### Press.

 The picture (from the memory) appears as still picture. It is then gradually faded over to the moving picture of the new scene.

- •Since the still picture is recorded from the digital image memory, the picture quality becomes slightly inferior to that of normally recorded pictures.
- Performing Recording Review or pressing the [VTR/CAMERA] Button does not erase the picture in the digital image memory.
- The still picture in the memory will be lost if the Movie Camera is turned off or if the Digital Function is set to "OFF" or to a mode other than MIX or WIPE.



Title

# Checking the End of a Recorded Scene

For occasionally important scenes, use this check function during recording to confirm that the recording has been performed correctly. Procedure

**1** REW/€



Press while in the Recording Pause Mode.

# Locating a Point Where You Wish to Add a New Scene (Camera Search Function)

Record the individual scene a little longer than actually required. You can then rewind the tape and determine the exact point where you wish to join the next scene. When the [SEARCH] Button is then released, the Movie Camera returns to the Recording Pause Mode.

Reverse direction

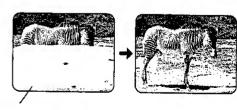




Keep pressed while in the Recording Pause Mode.

# Eliminating Picture Distortions by Adjusting the Tracking

When playing back a recorded tape, especially a tape recorded on another Movie Camera, horizontal bands of white noise may appear in the picture. If this occurs, you can eliminate them by adjusting the tracking.

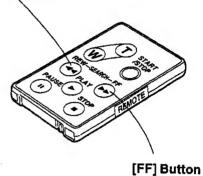


White noise bands

### **■** Remote Controller

Recording Review and Camera Search Function can be operated with this Remote Controller.





**2** To start the recording again:

Press the Recording Start/Stop Button.



 The final 2 seconds of the last recorded scene will be played back in the Viewfinder and then the Movie Camera returns to the Recording Pause Mode.











Keep pressed while in the Recording Pause Mode.

- •If you keep pressing [REW/◄] Button: The Indication "◁◁" appears in the Viewfinder. The scene is played back in reverse direction at 3 times normal speed.
- •If you keep pressing [►]/FF] Button: The Indication "▷" appears in the Viewfinder. The scene is played back in forward direction at normal speed.

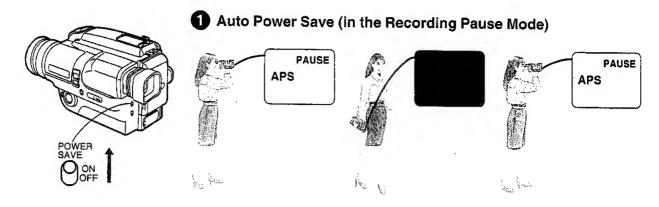
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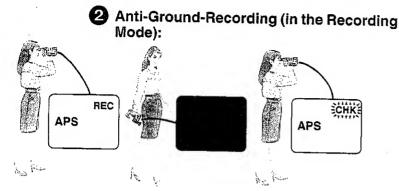
Press both the [◀ TRACKING] and [TRACKING ▶] Buttons simultaneously.

•If you press both buttons simultaneously but the picture quality does not improve, adjust by pressing the [◀ TRACKING] or [TRACKING ▶] Button individually. (It may not be possible to remove the noise bands completely.)

# Using the Power Save Functions



	Movie Camera Mode	Becomes Activated:	Conditions of Mov
Auto Power Save Function	During Recording Pause  Viewfinder  PAUSE APS  A  The "APS" Indication is displayed.	More than about 70°     More than a few seconds     Activated  When the Movie Camera is tilted downwards by more than about 70° from the normal horizontal recording position for more than a few seconds.	Video and Audio will be faded during this mode so no picture or sound will be present.     Viewfinder: OFF     Auto Focus: OFF     Zoom Motor: OFF     VTR Indication: Flashes (Green)
Anti-Ground-Recording Function	Viewfinder  REC  APS  The "APS" Indication is displayed.	• When tilting the Movie Camera downwards by more than about 70° from the normal horizontal recording position for more than a few seconds, and:  1) Walking with the Movie Camera held in the hand or;  2) tilting the Movie Camera quickly in the case of not walking.	Video and Audio will be faded during this mode so no picture or sound will be present.  Viewfinder: OFF  Auto Focus: OFF  Zoom Motor: OFF  Recording Mode  Recording Pause Mode  VTR Indication: Flashes (Green)



Land North Control

The Anti-Ground recording function is meant as a guide or Indication that irregular recording has occurred. It is up to the user to reposition the tape so as to remove the undesired section of the recording. The Movie Camera only switches the unit to Recording Pause/Power Save Mode, and when the user begins to operate the unit again, the "CHK" Indication appear in the top right hand corner of the Viewfinder.

Result	To Resume Recording	Operating Restrictions
•Saving Power Your Battery Pack lasts longer for actual recording.	Horizontal Position	
Preventing Lengthy Recording of the Ground Even if you unintentionally press the Recording Start/Stop Button when you hold the Movie Camera facing downwards after finishing the recording of a scene, the Movie Camera prevents recording.	PAUSE  When you return the Movie Camera to an approximately horizontal position, it automatically resets to the Recording Pause Mode, and you can start recording again by pressing the Recording Start/Stop Button.	
Saving Power Your Battery Pack lasts longer for actual recording.      Preventing     Lengthy     Recording of the     Ground The Movie Camera automatically switches over to the Recording Pause Mode to stop the unintentional recording.	•If you return the Movie Camera to an approximately horizontal position, the "CHK" (=Check) Indication flashes in the Viewfinder. This indicates that the tape has automatically been rewound for approx. 1.5 seconds of recorded content. To ensure continuity of the VITC signal recording be ourset a briefity.	If you slowly turn the Movie Camera downwards during recording, the Anti-Ground-Recording Function does not become activated.      Slowly  Not Activated

**Note:** When you change locations between scenes or when not planning to record for a longer period time, it is recommended to turn off the Movie Camera with the [POWER] ON/OFF Switch.

recording, be sure to briefly press the

[◀◀] Button to search joining the next

scene (p. 46), before starting to record

again.

The Anti-Ground-Recording Function is

not intended to replace the manual

stopping of recording.

## Lighting

When you record in the Auto Mode, the Movie Camera always keeps the white balance adjusted to the surrounding illumination. However, when you record in the Manual Mode, it is recommended to frequently adjust the white balance—preferably for each new scene, like the professionals do it. This is because even slight changes in the lighting (that are not noticeable to the human eye) or changes in position of the Movie Camera could give the picture a reddish or bluish cast. In general, the colours tend to become reddish when recording indoors, and under a clear, blue sky they become bluish.

#### Outdoors

Choose a Movie Camera position with the sun in your back, so that the sunlight falls evenly on the subject and makes for a beautiful picture. See the table below and on the page 32–35 to decide whether to record in the Auto or Manual White Balance Adjustment, and whether a Filter Kit (VW-LF43E; optional) or a Video DC Light (VZ-LDCS13E; optional) is necessary to obtain brilliant pictures with vivid colours.

#### Indoors

It is possible to record indoors under fluorescent, halogen, tungsten or even candlelight. However, note that the brighter the subject is lit, the more vivid a picture will be obtained. Therefore, it is recommended to brighten up the scene with additional lighting, such as a Video DC Light (VZ-LDCS13E; optional) or a spot light. However, if you want to capture the special mood of a dimly lit indoor (or outdoor) scene, recording is possible in the Low Light Mode under weak lighting down to only 1 lux.

In Low Light Mode the picture quality may be noisy. This is normal and not a malfunction of the unit. When using a Video DC light or a spotlight there are some points to keep in mind:

1. The Video DC light is only effective for up to 3 meters in general use.

2. In Close-up recording, for example Photographs, be sure to check for hot spot reflections and shadowing.

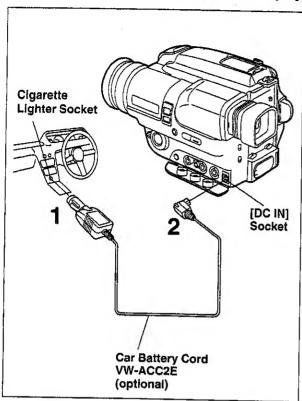
## Standard Values of Brightness

The values shown in this table are rough approximations for general reference.

Lux: Unit of illumination (the larger the figure, the brighter the light source)

Lux	Place or Type of lighting	To obtain Pictures with Vivid Colours	
	Snow—covered mountains	An ND Filter (contained in Filter Kit	
	Mid-summer beach	VW-LF43E; optional) is recommended to dampen the excessive light and obtain stronger colours.	
100,000	◆Sunlight at noon, clear sky (100,000 lux)	stronger colours.	
	●Sunlight at 10 AM, clear sky (65,000 lux)		
	•Sunlight at 3 PM, clear sky (35,000 lux)		
	Sunlight at noon, cloudy sky (32,000 lux)		
10,000	●Sunlight at 10 AM, cloudy sky (25,000 lux)		
	·	Range for recording without need for a Filter Kit (VW-LF43E; optional) or additional	
	•Sunlight one hour after sunrise, cloudy sky (2,000 lux)	lighting.	
1,000	•Sunlight one hour before sunrise, clear sky (1,000 lux)		
500	●Inside a department store, bright office (500–700 lux)		
100	●Street light (50–100 lux)	Additional lighting is recommended for most types of lighting in this range to obtain pictures with vivid colours.	
20	●Candle-light at 20 cm distance (10-15 lux)	Additional lighting is necessary to obtain satisfactory picture quality.	

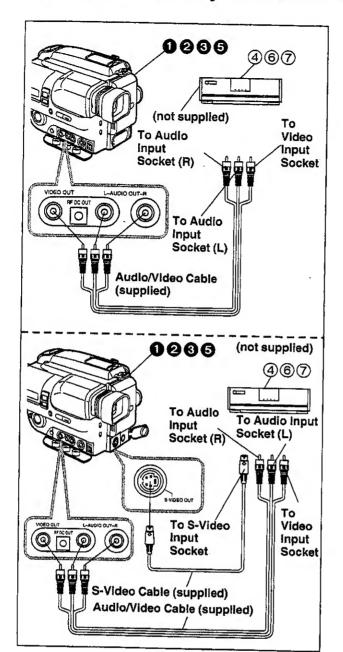
# Using the Car Battery Cord (Optional)



#### Notes:

- The Car Battery Cord can only be used with 12 V DC negative-grounded vehicles.
- Do not start the car engine while the Movie Camera is being powered by the car battery.
- 3. If the voltage drops suddenly e.g. because the car air-conditioner is turned on, the Movie Camera is automatically turned off to protect it. Wait about 10 seconds before turning it on again.
- 4. Some cars, RVs and campervans use 24 V. Please confirm with vendor that your vehicle uses 12 V before using the Car Battery Cord. If used on 24 V, damage may occur and is not covered by the warranty.
- 1 Start the engine and then plug the Car Battery Cord into the Cigarette Lighter Socket.
- 2 Connect the other end of the cord to the [DC IN] Socket on the Movie Camera.

# Editing a Previously Recorded Tape



Connect the Movie Camera to the VTR using the Supplied Audio/Video Cable or S-Video Cable.

Operations

Playback Unit (Movie Camera): 1 2 3 5

 This operation can also be performed with the Remote Controller.

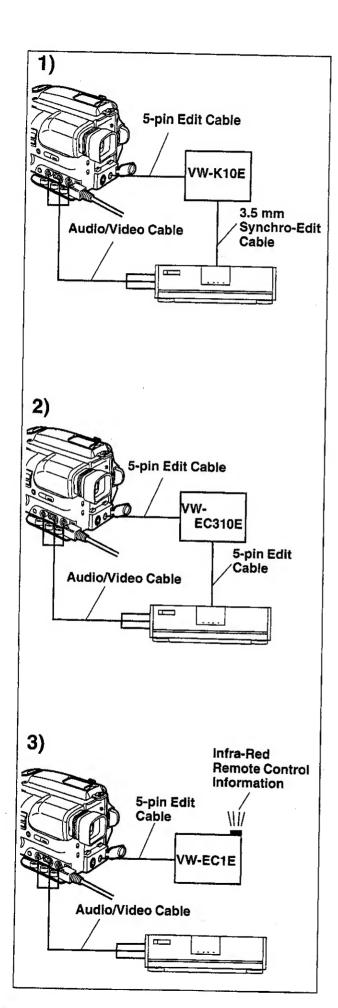
Recording Unit (VTR):

4 6 7

- Insert the recorded video cassette for playback into the Movie Camera.
- 2 Play back the tape and locate the end of the scene that you want to dub, and note the tape counter position.
- 3 Rewind the tape and locate the beginning of the scene that you want to dub.
- (4) Insert the video cassette for recording into the VTR and put it in the Recording Pause Mode. Also read the Operating Instructions of the VTR. The picture quality deteriorates slightly in the dubbing process, however, this can be minimized by selecting the standard recording speed (SP Mode) on the VTR.
- 5 Start the playback.

dubbing.

- 6 Press the Pause/Still Button to start recording.
- As soon as the Tape Counter Indication on the Movie Camera reaches the position noted in step 2: Press the Pause/Still Button to put the VTR in the recording pause mode, thus finishing the
- 3 For all additional scenes that you want to dub, follow the above steps 2 to 7.



#### ■ [EDIT] Socket

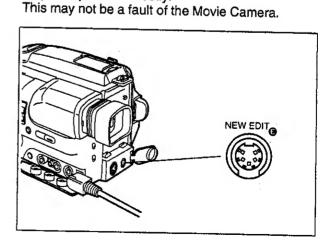
By connecting a Panasonic Editing Controller (optional) to this socket as well as to a Panasonic VTR equipped with Edit Socket, highly precise and speedy editing becomes possible.

The following types of Editing Controller can be used with this Movie Camera.

- Connecting the Movie Camera to a Panasonic VTR equipped with synchro-edit socket (3.5 mm stereo jack) as the recording unit, using the 5-pin Synchro Cord VW-K10E (optional).
  - This is a single event edit controlling system. Therefore, the user needs to know the start and end points of the scene to be edited and needs to start and stop the editing manually.
- Connecting the Movie Camera to a Panasonic VTR equipped with 5-pin edit socket as the recording unit, using the Editing Controller VW-EC310E (optional).
  - This Editing Controller can be programmed for automatic editing of up to 8 scenes.
  - When using this Editing Controller, be sure to edit with the "Standard-Speed Mode".
- Connecting the Movie Camera to any brand of VTR equipped with Infra-Red Remote Controller as the recording unit, using the Editing Controller VW-EC1E (optional).
  - This Editing Controller can be programmed for automatic editing of up to 4 scenes.

#### Note:

The full instructions as written in the Operating Instructions of the Editing Controllers and the 5-pin Synchro Cord must be followed or the edit function may not operate correctly.



## Using the VITC Function

#### ■ VITC

As an address (individual number) is recorded for each frame, it is possible to find the accurate position of any desired scene or picture on a tape by checking the address during playback. This address is called "Time Code".

Since the VITC signals (Vertical Interval Time Code) are recorded together with the picture signals (however, in a part that is not visible on the TV screen), they will not be cancelled even when the video cassette is taken out from the Movie Camera or the Movie Camera is switched off. This makes it possible to check the precise position of any desired picture at any time.

#### Notes:

- 1 The number indicated in the Viewfinder (Linear Counter or VITC Counter) is output through the [NEW EDIT] Socket.
- Do not switch between the "Linear Counter" and the "VITC" counter during editing with an Editing Controller.
- Be sure to play back the last part of the recording to initialize the VITC signal and ensure that the information is recorded onto the tape after:
  - (A) Removing and reinserting the Video Cassette you have been recording on.
  - (B) Performing REW or FF.
  - (C) When starting to record midway through a Video Cassette.
- 4. As the VITC Counter Indication displayed during FF or REW is only a rough approximation of the actual VITC value, it cannot be used for checking the precise VITC value (When performing FF or REW without having performed any playback, the VITC Counter Indication remains at zero.)
- When editing with the Editing Controller VW-EC10 (optional), set the User Code to the "off" mode as explained in paragraph '3.6.2 Editing with "Foreign" Time Code' of its Operation Manual.
- 6. To provide a blank leader portion (unrecorded tape) at the beginning of each video cassette, film for at least 20 seconds with the Lens Cap attached to the Lens.
- Each time you start recording, small jumps may appear in the time code. Therefore, get into the habit of always starting the recording approx.
   5 seconds before the action you wish to record actually starts.

# ■ Notes only for Performing VITC Editing with an Editing Controller

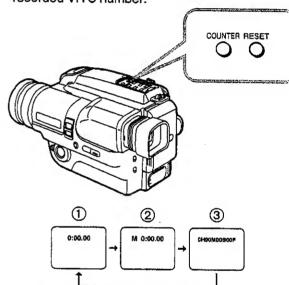
 During VITC editing with certain editing controllers, an error message may appear and prevent further editing. In this case, move the editing point forwards or backwards approx.
 1 second and try to start editing again. ■ Types of User Code

By selecting "DR-ON" or "DR-OFF" for "VITC" in the MENU Mode, it is possible to select the two types of user code system. For calling up the MENU screen and selecting "DR-ON" or "DR-OFF" for "VITC", see the page 36.

## 1 Recording of VITC Signals

# During recording, VITC signals are also recorded automatically.

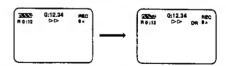
- When recording is started from an unrecorded part of a video tape, the VITC number begins from 0H00M00S00F (Hours, Minutes, Seconds, Frames).
  - (1 Frame 1/25 s)
- When recording is started from the end of the previously recorded part of a video tape, the VITC number continues from the previously recorded VITC number.



To check the VITC number, press the [COUNTER] Button to make the VITC Counter Indication appear in the Viewfinder.

#### ■ When Selecting "DR-ON" for "VITC"

The "DR" mark is displayed in the Viewfinder.



 The camera information and the date/time will also be recorded.

#### Note:

When using a VITC editing controller of another brand than Panasonic to edit a recording made with "DR-ON" selected for "VITC", accurate editing may not be possible. To ensure accurate editing with other brand VITC Editing Controllers, select "DR-OFF" for "VITC" before recording.

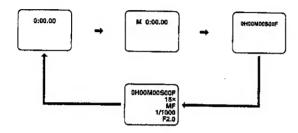
■ When Selecting "DR-OFF" for "VITC"
The camera information and the date/time will not be recorded, therefore, it cannot be displayed during playback.

## 2 Playback of VITC Signals

 When a tape without recorded VITC signal is played back, or when the VITC signal drops out during the playback, the VITC Counter in the Viewfinder will show "--H--M--S--F".

# ■ Playing Back a Recording Made with "DR-ON" selected for "VITC".

Checking the VITC number and the camera information is possible by repeatedly pressing the [COUNTER] Button during playback in the VTR mode.



#### ■ Camera Information

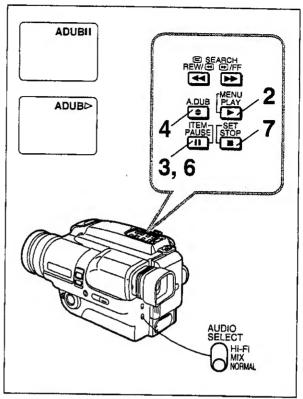
The camera information (zoom magnification, manual focus, shutter speed, iris setting, etc.) is automatically recorded together with the VITC signals. This information can be checked in the Viewfinder during playback. The date and time are also automatically recorded as part of the camera information. They can be checked in the Viewfinder during playback by pressing the [DATE/TIME] Button. (p. 14)

### ■ Playing Back a Recording Made with "DR-OFF" selected for "VITC".

 When selecting "DR-OFF" for "VITC", the date/time and camera information cannot be displayed during playback. Even if the [DATE/ TIME] Button is pressed, only bars will be displayed as shown below.



# Using the Audio Dubbing Function



Audio Dubbing can be performed by using the stereo microphone or an external microphone.

- Insert the recorded cassette with the erasure prevention tab intact.
- Press the [PLAY] Button in the VTR mode. Play back the tape to locate the point where you want to start the Audio Dubbing.
- 3 Press the [PAUSE] Button.
- Press the [A.DUB] Button. The "ADUB II" Indication appears in the Viewfinder.
- 5 Operate the audio source unit.
- Press the [PAUSE] Button again. The Audio Dubbing starts. The "ADUB ▷" Indication appears in the Viewfinder.
- 7 Press the [STOP] Button. The Audio Dubbing stops.

### When Playing Back a Cassette Tape on which Audio Dubbing Has Been Performed...

Use the Audio Selector Switch to select the sound to be played back.

Hi-Fi: The

The original sound (sound before performing audio dubbing) alone can

be heard.

MIX: The original and the dubbed sound

can be heard mixed together.

NORMAL: The dubbed sound alone can be

heard.

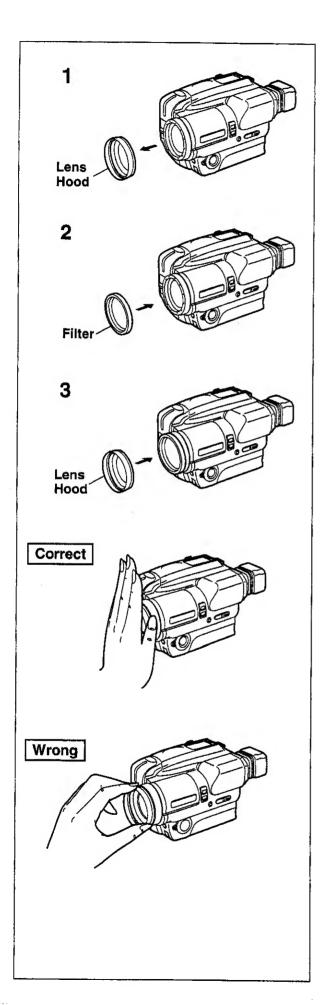
# **Optional Accessories**

	×.			
Battery Pack VW-VBS10E VW-VBH10E	Battery Pack VW-VBS20E VW-VBH20E	Car Battery Charger VW-KBC2E	Car Battery Cord VW-ACC2E	5-Pin Synchro Core VW-K10E
System Case VW-SHCS5E	Soft Cover VW-SCS9E	Video DC Light VZ-LDCS13E	Shoe Adaptor VW-SK9E	Filter Kit VW-LF43E
		The Shoe Adaptor (VW-SK9E; optional) is necessary.		00
Standard Tripod VZ-CT55E	Deluxe Tripod VZ-CT75E	Table Tripod VZ-CTT1E	Cassette Adaptor VW-TCA7E	Editing Controller VW-EC310E
	2			
Editing Controller VW-EC1E	Video Titler VW-VT1A	RF Adaptor VW-RF7E		<u></u>

- Consult your dealer for details of other accessories not listed here.
  Some of these accessories may not be available in Australia. Please check with your retailer.

# ■ Charging Time and Maximum Time for Continuous Recording

Battery Pack No.	Charging Time	Max. Continuous Recording Time
VW-VBS10E	Approx. 65 min.	Approx. 35 min.
VW-VBS20E	Approx. 130 min.	Approx. 70 min.
VW-VBH10E	Approx. 80 min.	Approx. 45 min.
VW-VBH20E	Approx. 160 min.	Approx. 90 min.



Attaching a Filter (optional)

Before attaching an optional filter, first remove the Lens Hood from the Movie Camera.

- Remove the Lens Hood.
- 2 Attach the filter.
- 3 Attach the Lens Hood again.

#### Notes:

- To remove the Lens Hood, press with the palm of your hand against it and turn in the direction of the arrow.
- When zooming toward wide-angle and using the Super Image Stabilizer Function while an ND Filter is attached to the Lens, the four corners of the picture may become black.

#### ●Filter Kit (VW-LF43E)

The Filter Kit (VW-LF43E) contains and ND Filter and an MC Protector.

The ND Filter is recommended for recording in extremely bright places, e.g. on a beach or ski slope.

It prevents the picture from becoming whitish, yet without changing the colours. (When recording with the ND Filter attached, the Manual White Balance Adjustment Mode should be used, since the Auto White Balance Adjustment Mode would not work precisely.)

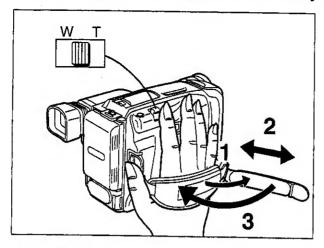
The MC Protector is used for protecting the lens and it can be used for virtually any kind of recording.

● Video DC Light (VZ-LDCS13E)

This Video DC Light is recommended for recording in a dark room as well as for recording photographs and pictures with the Macro Close-up function (p. 17).

To attach the Video DC Light (VZ-LDCS13E) to the Movie Camera, the Shoe Adaptor (VW-SK9E) is necessary.

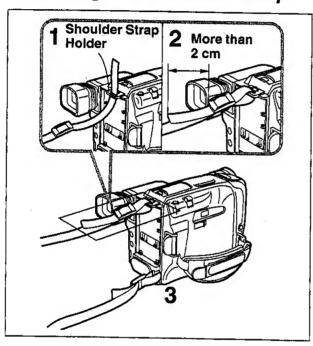
# Adjusting the Length of the Grip Belt



Adjust the Grip Belt so that you can press the Recording Start/Stop Button with the thumb, and the [W • T] Zoom Lever with the index finger.

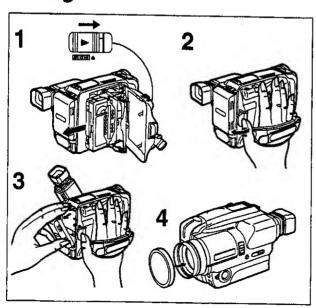
- 1 Unfasten the velcro tape closure.
- 2 Adjust the length to the size of your hand.
- 3 Fasten the velcro tape closure.

# Attaching the Shoulder Strap



- 1 Pull the end of the Shoulder Strap through the Shoulder Strap Holder.
- 2 Securely attach the end of the Shoulder Strap. (More than 2 cm)
- 3 Attach the other end of the Strap in the same way.

# Storage

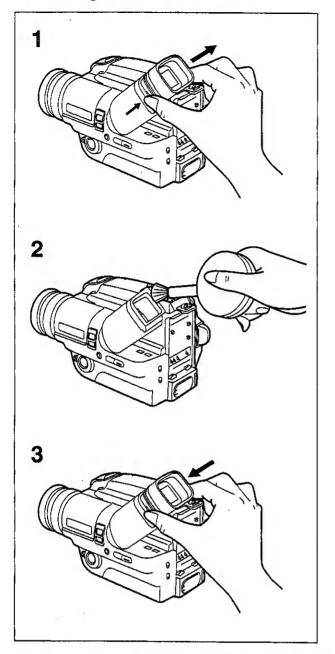


- 1 Slide the [EJECT ▲] Lever and remove the video cassette.
- 2 Turn the [POWER] ON/OFF Switch in. (The Movle Camera is switched off.)
- 3 Slide the [BATTERY EJECT] Lever and remove the Battery Pack.
- 4 Attach the Lens Cap.

#### Note:

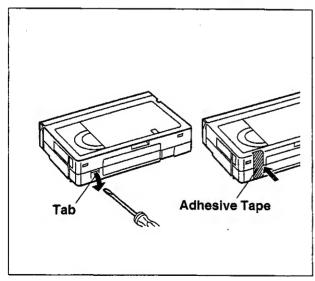
Remove the Battery Pack from the Movie Camera after use and keep it in a cool place. If the Battery Pack remains attached to the Movie Camera, a small amount of current flows to the Movie Camera, even if the [POWER] ON/OFF Switch is turned in, and this reduces the charge of the Battery Pack.

# Cleaning the Viewfinder



- 1 Push the Buttons on the both sides of the Viewfinder and remove it in the direction of the arrow.
- 2 Remove dust with a blower brush (not supplied).
- 3 Re-attach the Viewfinder.

# Preventing Accidental Erasure of Recordings



When recording on a previously recorded tape, the previously recorded contents will be erased and replaced by the new recording. An important recording can be protected against accidental erasure by breaking off the tab. If the tab is removed, recording on this Video Cassette is no longer possible.

# ■ To protect important recordings against accidental erasure:

Break off the tab with a screwdriver in the direction of the arrow.

# ■ Recording onto a Video Cassette with a Missing safety tab:

Cover the hole firmly with two layers of Adhesive Tape.

# Before Requesting Service

	Item	Symptom	Cause	Action	Refe ence page
	Using the Battery Pack	Movie Camera does not turn on.	Not attached.	• Attach it correctly.	10
			●Not charged.	●Charge it.	10
		Movie Camera turns off too soon.	●Exhausted.	●Use a fully charge one.	10
ie.			•Recording was paused for more than 6 minutes.	Turn the [POWER] ON/OFF Switch in to turn off the Movie Camera, and then turn it out again to turn on the Movie Camera.	17
Power	Using the AC = Adaptor	●Movie Camera ■ does not turn on.	Not connected.	Connect it correctly.	
					8
	Using any of the power sources	●Movie Camera ■ does not turn on.	•[POWER] ON/OFF Switch is not turned out.	•Turn it out.	12
		Movie Camera turns off too soon.	• Condensation has formed inside.	●Wait several hours.	62
		No picture in the Viewfinder.	•[POWER] ON/OFF Switch is not turned out.	• Turn it out.	12
			•Lens Cap is attached.	•Remove it.	12
Recording			<ul> <li>Power Save Function has been activated.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Hold the Movie Camera in horizontal position.</li> </ul>	48
Reco		•Indications in the Viewfinder are not clear.	Eyepiece Corrector is not adjusted.	•Adjust it.	
	The state of the s	Jiour.			12
			●Viewfinder is dirty.	●Clean it.	59

	Item	Symptom	Cause	Action	Refer- ence page
		<ul> <li>Recording cannot be started.</li> </ul>	•The erasure prevention tab of the inserted cassette is broken off.	Cover the tab hole with adhesive tape.	59
		:	•No cassette is inserted.	<ul> <li>Insert a cassette with intact erasure prevention tab.</li> </ul>	12
			•Tape has reached its end.	●Insert a new one.	12
Recording		Some noise from the zoom operation is picked up.	The surroundings are very quiet.	<ul> <li>Use an external microphone.</li> </ul>	5
Re		Date and time cannot be recorded.	Date and time are not set.	• Set the date and time.	14
	12:30	Date and time are not displayed in the Viewfinder.	•[DATE/TIME] Button was not pressed.	• Press the [DATE/TIME] Button.	14
			<ul> <li>Built-in Lithium Battery is exhausted.</li> </ul>	Recharge the Built-in     Lithium Battery.	15
		●"U11/ᢒ" appears in the Viewfinder.	The video heads are dirty.	Return the Movie     Camera to a qualified     service personnel.	63
		●No picture.	•[POWER] ON/OFF Switch is not turned out.	●Turn the switch out and press the [VTR/CAMERA] Button so that the "VTR" Indication Lamp lights up.	24
ture)			Not connected or incorrectly connected to TV set.	Connect correctly.	8
Playback (picture)			Wrong channel is selected on TV set.	Select the correct channel.	
Playb	• Pic or	Picture is distorted or not in colour.	● Tracking is not adjusted.	• Adjust the tracking.	47
		Picture contains noise bars.	Cue, Review or Still Playback is activated.	●It is not a malfunction.	25
Others		Operation with the Remote Controller	• Remote Controller's battery is exhausted.	Replace it with a new one (CR2025).	6
A P		is not possible.	Battery is not inserted correctly.	•Insert the battery with its poles correctly aligned.	6

### **Cautions**

In case of abnormal operation of this unit (e.g. if it emits smoke or some unusual smell), immediately stop the operation and consult qualified service personnel.

## ■ Cautions for Use of the Movie Camera

- When a thunderstorm approaches, stop using it.
   (If the AC Adaptor is being used, disconnect it from the AC Mains Socket.)
- Do not aim the Lens at the sun.
   (This could damage internal parts of the Movie Camera.)
- Do not use it in the water or in places where water or some other liquid could splash on it.
   (If it is accidentally dropped into water while the AC Adaptor is being used, disconnect it from the AC Mains Socket.)
- Do not use it with the cassette compartment facing down.
- (This could cause uneven winding of the tape.)
- Do not insert or remove the video cassette in dusty places.
- Do not use the Viewfinder as a carrying handle when transporting the Movie Camera.
- Do not disassemble or reconstruct it.
- Do not subject it to strong vibrations or shocks.
   Handle it with care to prevent accidentally dropping it.
- Do not insert any foreign objects into the Movie Camera nor spill water into it.
- Do not use it in areas with strong electric fields.
   (This could negatively influence the picture quality.)
- Do not operate it near a TV set or a radio. (This could distort the picture and sound reception.)
- •Do not use it in places with steam or oily smoke.
- When unplugging the mains cable, pull it by the plug, not by the cable.

### Cautions for Cleaning the Movie Camera

- Do not use benzine, thinner or other chemicals for cleaning, because they could change the colour and damage the surface of the camera body.
- When using a chemically treated cloth for cleaning, carefully follow the instructions for its use.
- Wipe the Movie Camera with a clean, dry cloth.
   Never use cleaning fluid or other chemicals.
- Clean the lens only with a blower brush (used for photo cameras) or special lens cleaning tissue (used for glasses and cameras).

### Cautions for Storage

- Do not store this Movie Camera in the following places.
- Places exposed to direct sunlight.
  Places with high temperature and high humidity (e.g. in a closed car or in a bathroom).
  Near heaters.
- Do not leave it in direct contact with rubber or plastic products for a long time.
- Keep it out of reach of children.

### **■** Cautions for Transport

- When not actually recording, carry it in a specially designed Carrying Case.
- Keep the packing materials. When transporting it in the future, pack it in the same way as you purchased it.

# ■ Cautions for the Video Head Clogging When the "U 11/♥" flashes, consult qualified

service personnel.

It is not recommended to use head cleaning tapes in this Movie Camera, because they may cause damage or the tape may become stuck. The removal of head cleaning tape is not covered by warranty.

# Cautions (cont.) Condensation

If Condensation Has Formed Inside the Movie Camera, Recording is Not Possible.

### **■** Symptoms of Condensation

- •If the following symptoms occur, condensation has formed inside the Movie Camera.
- The Condensation Indication in the Viewfinder flashes.
  - (After this indication flashes for a few seconds, the Movie Camera will automatically turn itself off again.)
- When turning on the Movie Camera, it turns itself off.
  - (However, the Movie Camera also turns itself off when the Battery Pack is exhausted.)

#### ■ How to Remedy Condensation

When condensation has formed inside the Movie Camera, the "U10/\(\bigsim\)" Indication appears in the Viewfinder. In this case, remedy as follows:

- Take out the Video Cassette and leave the Cassette Compartment Cover open.
- Keep the Battery Pack attached or the AC Adaptor connected to the Movie Camera, and turn in the [POWER] Switch to turn the Movie Camera off.
- 3. Wait a few hours before operating the Movie Camera again. (The actual time depends on the surrounding conditions.)
- 4. Turn on the Movie Camera.
- 5. Confirm that the Condensation Indication is not displayed any more.
- 6. For added safety, wait about 1 more hour.

#### ■ Remarks about Condensation

- Condensation can form if the Movie Camera is suddenly brought from cold surroundings to a place where it is hot or humid.
- •Since condensation forms gradually, there may already be some condensation inside the Movie Camera even before the Condensation Indication begins to flash.
- In an extremely cold place, condensation may freeze and turn into frost. As the Movie Camera cannot detect frost, the Condensation Indication does not appear until the frost melts.

#### ■ Precautions against Condensation

When moving it from a very cold place to a very warm place, keep it in a tightly closed plastic bag or similar to prevent condensation from forming.

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## **Specifications**

S-VHS-C Movie Camera

Information for your safety

**Power Source:** 

4.8 V (Battery Pack) 6.0 V (AC Adaptor)

Power

Consumption: 8.5 W (Battery Pack Operation)

The rating plate is on the bottom side of the Movie Camera.

Video Recording

System:

Rotary four heads, helical scanning system

Tape Speed:

23.39 mm/s

**Tape Format:** 

S-VHS-C/VHS-C tape

Recording/Playback

Time:

45 min. with NV-SEC45XD

**VIDEO** 

Television System: CCIR; 625 lines, 50 fields

PAL colour signal

Modulation

System:

Luminance; FM azimuth

recording

Colour signal; Converted

subcarrier phase shift

recording

**Output Level:** 

VIDEO OUT (PHONO); 1.0 Vp-p, 75 ohm

terminated

S-Video Out; 1.0 Vp-p, 75 ohm terminated

**AUDIO** 

**Output Level/** 

Impedance:

AUDIO OUT (PHONO); -6 dBV (47 kohm loaded)/

less than 1 kohm

Phones (M3): -23.5 dBV (32 ohm loaded)/120 ohm

Input Sensitivity/

Impedance:

MIC IN (M3); -70 dBV/

4.7 kohm or

more

unbalanced

**Audio Track:** 

1 track (Normal-Monaural)

2 channels

(Hi-Fi Sound-Stereo)

Image Sensor:

Lens:

1/3-inch CCD image Sensor

14:1 Wide-angle/Variable

Speed Power Zoom Lens with Digital Al Auto Focus

Focal Length:

3.9-54.6 mm

F1.4

Auto Iris

Filter Diameter; 43 mm

Viewfinder:

0.7-inch Colour LCD

Viewfinder

1.400 lux

Standard

Illumination:

Minimum Required

Illumination:

Video Horizontal

Resolution:

S-VHS; More than

400 lines

1 Lux (Low Light Mode)

(S-VIDEO OUT)

VHS; More than 250 lines

Signal-to-Noise

Ratio:

Video: More than 43 dB

Audio; More than 47 dB

(Hi-Fi)

More than 41 dB

(Normal)

**Audio Frequency** 

Response:

Hi-Fi; 50-20,000 Hz

Normal; 80-8,000 Hz

Operating

Temperature:

Operating Humidity: Weight:

0°C-40°C 10%-80%

Approx. 890 g

(without Battery Pack) Approx. 111 (W)×116

(H)×219 (D) mm

AC Adaptor

Dimensions:

Information for your safety

**Power Source:** 

AC 100-240 V,

50-60 Hz

(Automatic voltage

adjustment)

Consumption:

25 W

DC Output:

DC 6.0 V, 8.5 W

(Movie Camera Operation) DC 4.8 V, 1.2 A

(Battery Pack Charging)

 The rating plate is on the bottom side of the AC Adaptor

Weight:

Approx. 210 g

Dimensions:

(without AC Cable) Approx. 72 (W) $\times$ 39 (H) $\times$ 

143 (D) mm

Weight and dimensions shown are approximate. Specifications are subject to change without notice.